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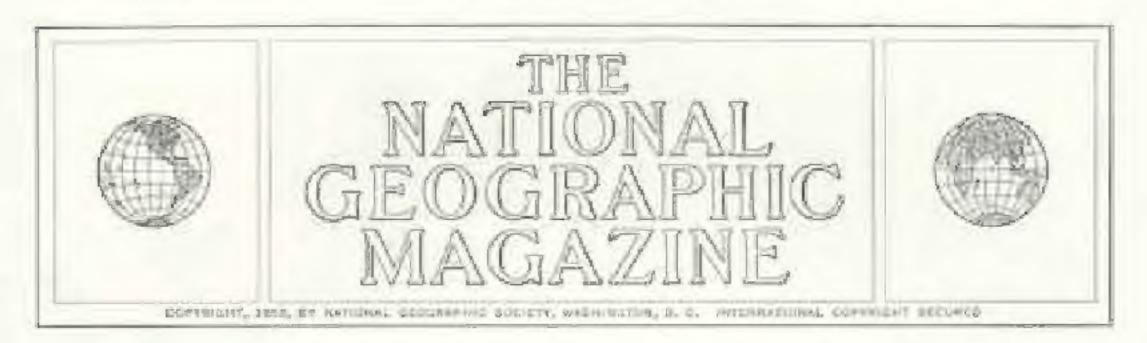
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Safari Through Changing Africa

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By Elsie May Bell Grosvenor

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AT 3 O'CLOCK on a pitch-dark January morning, a big four-engined air liner set us down at Kano in the heart of Africa. We had boarded the plane the evening before on the outskirts of busy, cosmopolitan Rome, 2,000 miles away.

Now, before we could leave the cabin, a tall Negro dressed in khaki came aboard and sprayed us all with disinfectant. As a parting gift, the airline stewardess gave us each a box of paludrine pills and some sound advice: take one each day and we wouldn't catch malaria.

Then we stepped out into the night. Africa was cold! A chill wind blew from the desert we had just flown over, and I shivered as I stumbled toward the airport building.

It was nearly 4 o'clock before we reached the home of Mr. Kenneth P. Maddocks, the British Resident, where we were to stay while in Kano. But if Mr. and Mrs. Maddocks were upset by having guests drop from the sky at 4 in the morning, they didn't show it. They welcomed us in their wrappers and gave us bot tea and crackers to dispel the chill. We used three woolen blankets on our beds—and a hot-water bottle besides.

Only the mosquito nets draped around us—we found them everywhere we went in Africa—reminded us we were in "tropical" Nigeria, just 12 degrees north of the Equator (map, page 150).

Why We Searched a Continent

This was the beginning of a three-month 30,000-mile safari around Africa for my husband, Gilbert Grosvenor, and rac.

The trip was partly a delayed celebration for our golden wedding anniversary. More important, it was a search for tresh material and new ideas and authors for the NATIONAL GROGRAPHIC MAGAZINE.

Similar quests in other years had taken us to the ancient Inca ruins of Machu Picchu on a flight across the Andes in Peru; the chilly summits of China's holy mountain, Tai Shan, and of Japan's Fuji; Hawaii, Midway, and Wake Islands; every Province of Canada; Europe; every State of the United States; and two Russias, Tsarist and Soviet.

Africa itself was not wholly new to us. Many years earlier we had visited Spanish and French Morocco; we had drunk tea with a shelk and dined with a pasha in the walled city of Fes, the dinner served by Nubian girls jingling with bracelets on arms and ankles.

But the Africa we were to see now was a continent where slaves, camels, and medicine men are disappearing. In their places we found jeeps and trucks, hydroelectric plants.

The Author

The daughter of Alexander Graham Bell, Esse May Bell Grosvenur grew up in a world of new ideas and expanding geographic frontiers. She was born in London at the time when Dr. Bell was demonstrating his recently invented telephone to Queen Victoria. Her first transatiantic passage came when she was but a few weeks old, on the Belk' return to the United States. She was seven when she was shipwreeked with her family aboard a coastal steamer off Newfoundianti. Later the studied in France and Italy, traveled in England and Norway, and in Japan in 1898, was presented to the Empress.

When Miss Bell was married (1500), her distinguished father was president of the then pioneering National Geographic Society. The year before, her future husband—young Gilbert Grosvenor—had been but de editor of its little journal, the National Geographic Macazine, and for the next half century and more was to devote his life to furthering The Society's projects and publications.

Mrs. Grosvenor has always taken a deep interest in The Society's activities. She designed its flag, with its stripes of brown, green, and blue, symbolizing earth, sea, and sky. She has read hundreds of manuscripts for The Magazine and emissined thousands of pages of proof and tens of thousands of pages of proof and tens of thousands of photographs.



Chicis of Northern Nigeria Gather at Kadana for the Opening of Parliament

A Nigeria's new constitution gives its people greater self-rule. In Northern Provinces they exercise it through a House of Chicis and an elective House of Assembly. Below: Chicis in robes, turbans, and fezzes await the session.





The Author, "Window-shopping" in Kano Market, Scans a Display of Kola Nuts

Nigerians thew kola nuts as Americans thew gum. The vendor (scated) aprends his stock on a mat. Wind-borne dust hangs like fog in the distance. A tall Tunneg vells his face, conforming to a male custom of his tribe.



modern bospitals—and, of course, airplanes, which are the real taxicabs of modern Africa.

All night the cold wind howled. When we awoke, we looked out the window at a view as English as it was African. We were in the British official quarter, outside the old walled section of the city of Kano. Its little English gardens and Government-owned houses are next and modern. The officials are only temporary residents and must move out all their belongings even when going on their blennial vacations. They never know what house they'll come back to, since houses are extremely scarce in Nigeria.

Our pretty young hosters was also English, the daughter of the well-known scientist, Sir John Russell. Before her marriage she had been London editor of the Junior Britannica. The Maddockses' extensive library on Africa's birds, animals, and people showed their deep interest in the country Mr. Maddocks helped govern. Their books also helped us identify African hirds and beasts we were to see.

As soon as we had finished breakfast, Mr. Grosvenor, Mr. and Mrs. Maddocks, and I started out to explore old Kano. From reading, I knew that its history went back at least a thousand years. It was a caravan cross-roads in medieval times and today is still a busy trading center.

Dust Storm from the Desert

As we drove through the city, we got our first taste of the harmattan, the dry, all-caveloping dust-laden wind which sometimes blows in from the Sahara. For the next several days it stong our eyes and faces and gave a weird, unreal effect to everything we saw. Its rearky haze colors all my recollections of Kano: it also colored many of the pictures my hasband took of the city (pages 147, 149, 153, and 156).

We went through one of the entrances cut in Kano's massive 40-foot-thick mud walls, built centuries ago, and quickly lost ourselves in a maze of winding, narrow streets. More surprising to me were the houses that fined the streets: they were built of mtd! They have palm-trunk supports for roofs and doorways. A few were whitewashed or painted; some of the funcier ones were decorated with intricate patterns. Many were getting new layers of mud and native cement.

Spouts of tin or terra cotta jutted like guns

from the rooftops.

"They're gutters," explained our sight-seeing host, "to carry off the floods of the rainy season.

"It's the dry time now," he continued, "when careful householders do their repairing and replastering. If they don't get around to it before the rains come, their clay walls will

eventually melt down and they'll find themselves living in a mud puddle!"

We got out of the car at Kano's big, bustling market place and were quickly swallowed up in a noisy crowd. Customers and merchants allowed each other and us. There were tall, abony Hausas and lighter Fulant with bearded faces. Everywhere small naked children wandered, along with inquiring goats, donkeys, sheep, and chickens.

Livestock was only part of an amazing variety of merchandise. We saw fine leather goods, metal jewelry, and bright, bizarre prints nudging empty bottles and old razor blades. We also saw—and smelled—dried fish: next to freshly slaughtered meat lay piles of grain, salt, and spices. Kola nuts, chewed for "lift," seemed to be popular (page 147), and so were cosmetics used by local belies to darken their eyelids and hence their nails and hands.

Many of the wares were spread out on the hare ground, with only a thatch or hamboo cover to keep off the sun. Others were displayed in "shops," rows of cavelike mud stalls.

Desert Riders Wear Indigo Cloth

Kano is famous for its cloth, woven of locally grown cotton, and for its brilliant blue dyes brewed from the wild Indigo plant. We saw both in the market. In open vats dyers were dipping and rissing lengths of white cutton cloth which came out in shades of blue from pale to deepest indigo (pages 158, 159). Near by, other workers best the material to give it a metallic luster.

We saw veiled Tunneg horsemen wearing robes of this deep-blue cloth. Other pieces might add allure to the wardrobes of Kano's harem favorites. Later, in another Nigerian city, I recognized the typical metallic blue in the turbans of prominent native rulers.

We saw almost no women. Kano's ladies are kept well hidden from the profane gaze

of outsiders,

Yet change is coming. An elementary school has been established for the long-neglected Moslem girls. It is attended by members of the Emir's own household. The faces of the few women we did see were uncovered, despite the fact that this is a Moslem city.

There was even an ultramodern touch while we were there—a strike by Nigerian railway

engineers.

We saw many pyramids at least 30 feet high made entirely of bags of peanuts awaiting transportation south (page 154). They are a leading export of the country; others are tin, palm kernels and palm oil, cocoa, hides and skins. Altogether, Nigeria's exports totaled more than \$350,000,000 in 1951, a foreign trade built up during the last 40 years.

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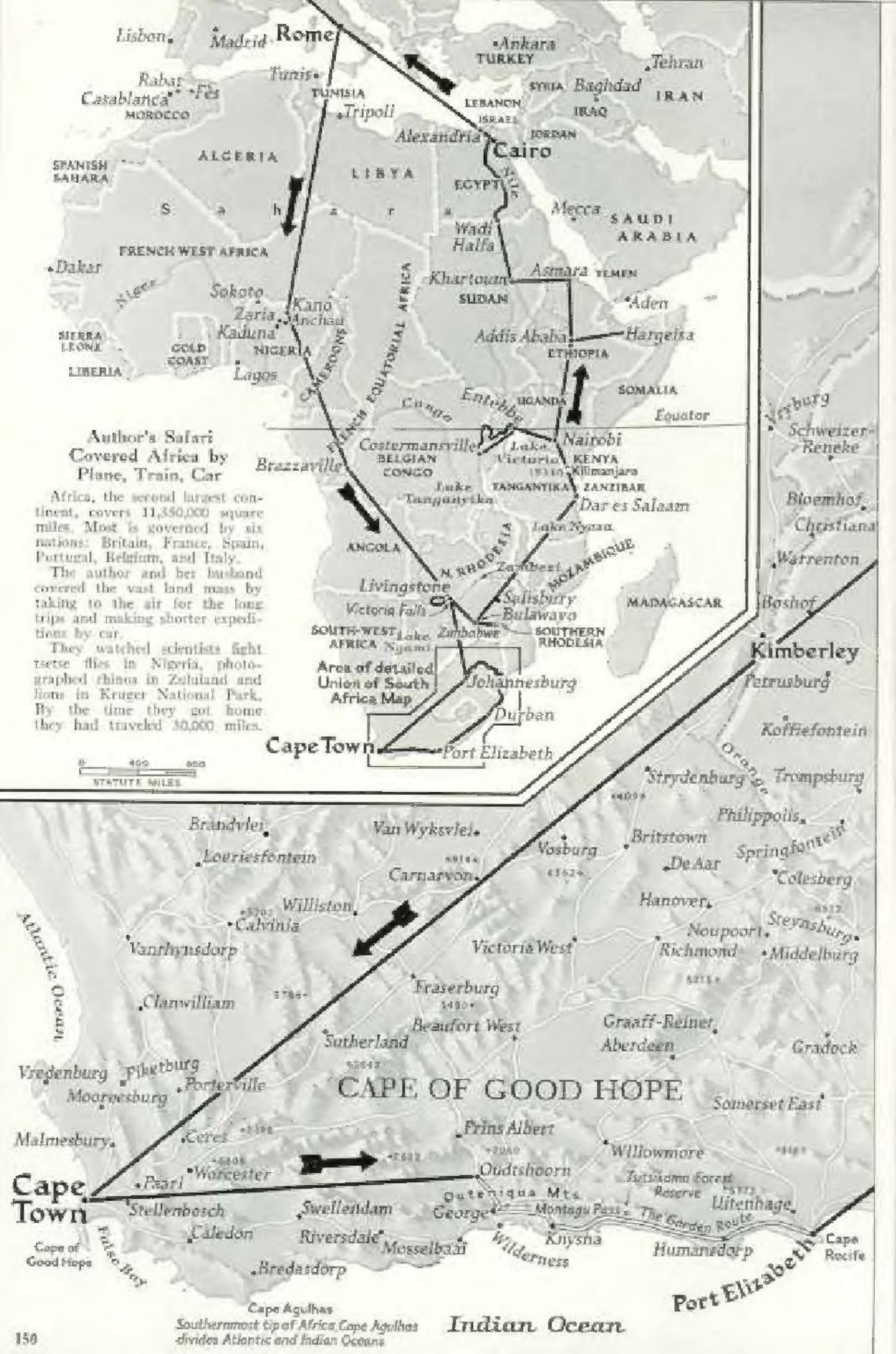
Kano boants a written history extending back nearly 1,000 years. Today the city is northern Nigeria's metropolis, with 102,000 people. A high mud wall pierced by 15 gates entircles the oldest section. Donkeys and pedestrians, but few vehicles, may use this portal.

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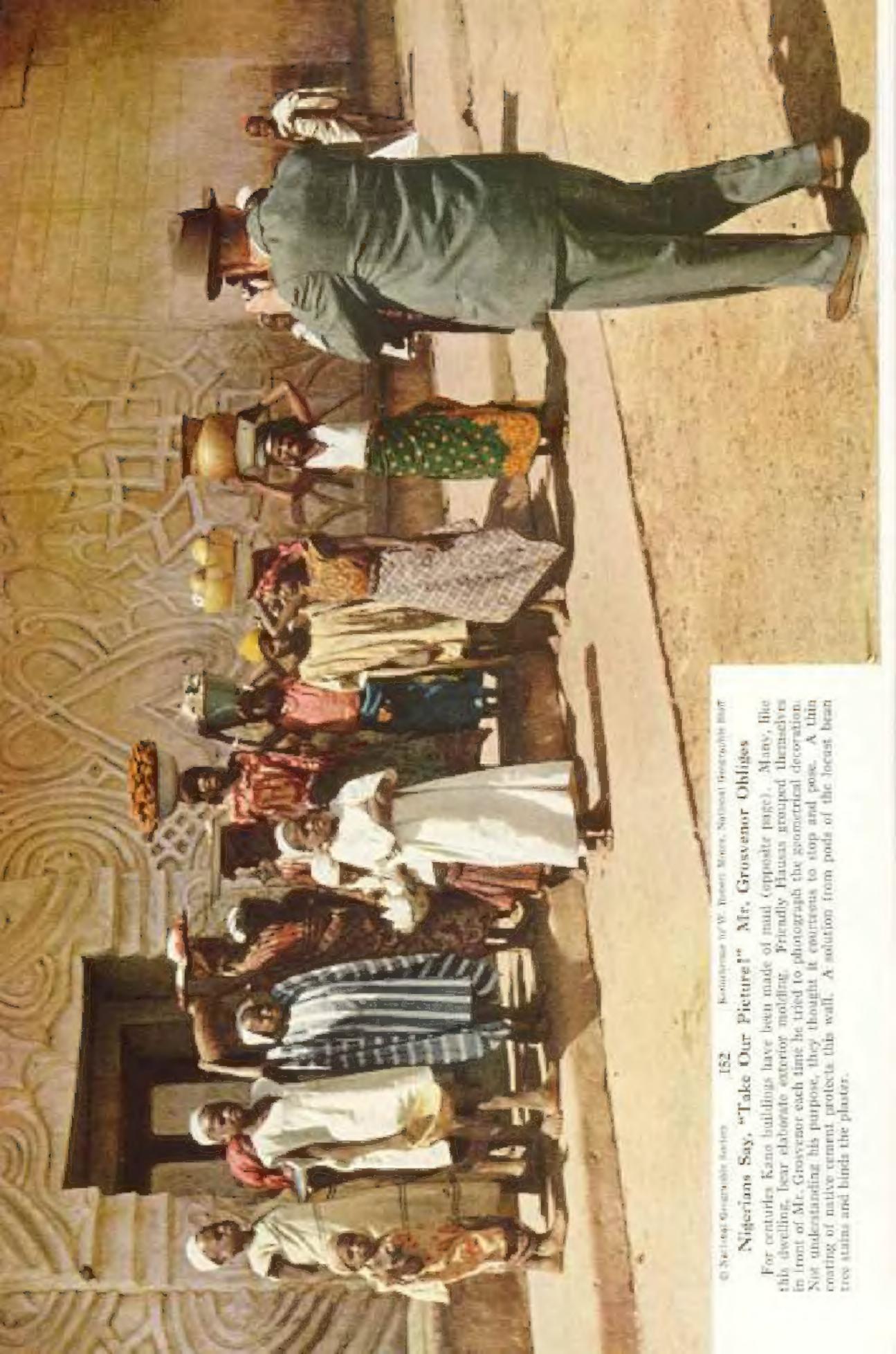
Wigeria's Largest Open-air Mart; the Author Shops for Cloth

Sprawling Kano market attracts 20,000 people daily. Merchants, afoot or in stalls of thatch or mud, hawk an infinite variety of wares. The cloth salesman (left) quotes a price in Hatsa, his native tongue. The author finds a topcoal comfortable in "tropical" Nicera.



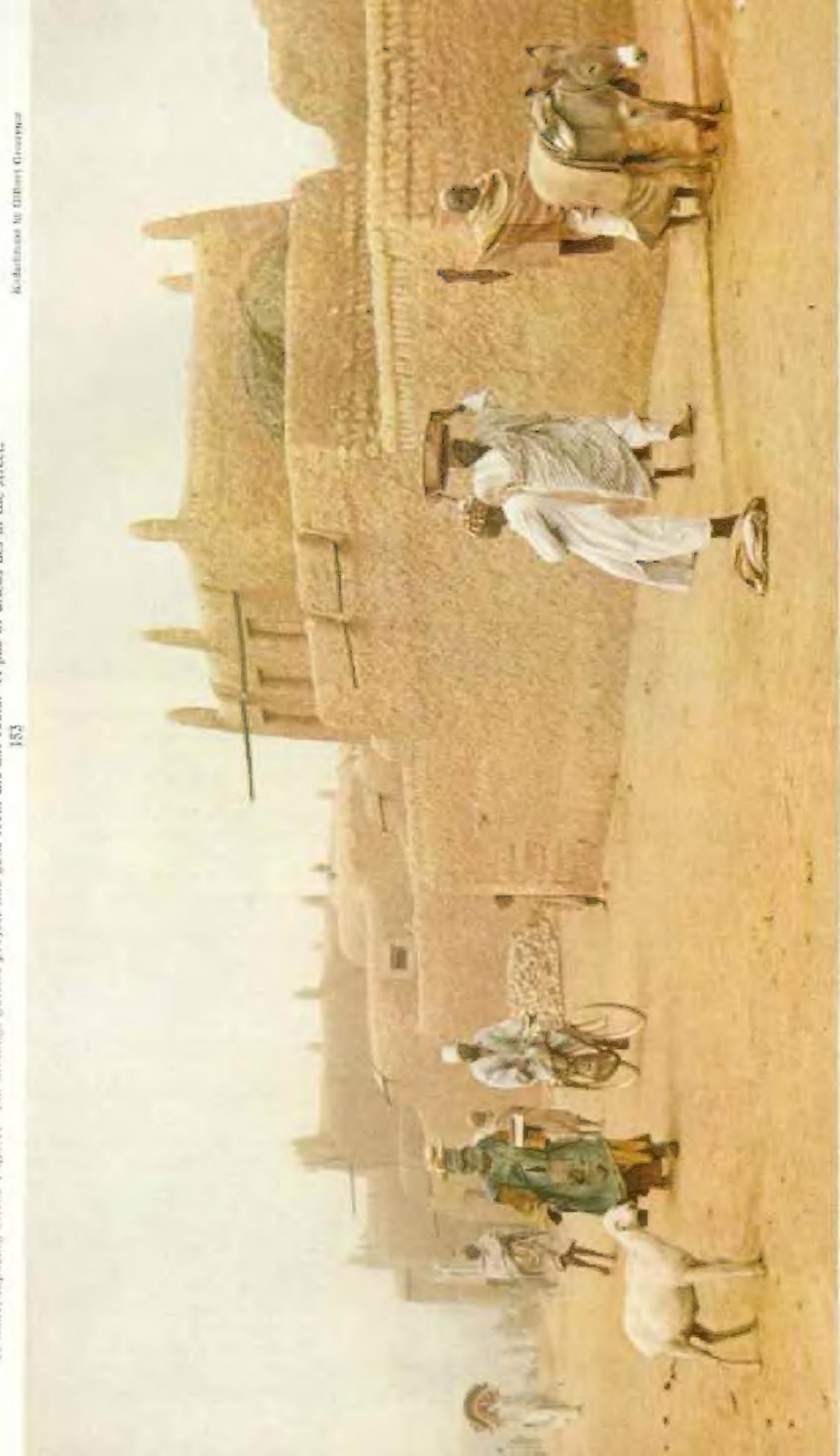






n Dusty Wind, Stroll Past Mad Dwellings with Weathered Plaking Walls Kann Residents, Heavily Robed Against

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Nigerans Learn Self-government

But the real event of our visit was the bistoric meeting in bear-by Katata, of the first elective parliament in northern Nigeria (page 140). It fork place in a shining new war a clament budging. Lugard Hall was for Lord Lugard. His article entitled to New Fights Provide of Northern Northern Provide of Markished in the November 19. The provided in the November in the page of the November in the November in the page of the November in the page of the November in the November in the November in the November in the page of the November in the Novembe

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the Bratish Crown in northern Nigerials "upper house' —the H use of Chiefs, Sig Laic Thompstane (familiarly called "Tombstane"). then Lieutenant Covernor of the Northern Provinces, presided over the cerumony from a thronelike chair.

The 1951 constitution provides for northern Nigeria a regunal parliament somewhat like England's. The House of Chiefs is roughly equivalent to the House of Lords; the lower, or House of Assembly, members of which we saw sworm in the following day, is like the House of Commons, Members of the lower House are elected by the Nigorians them-«cives, except for a few appointed representatives of the Bruish Government in Nice at

The congress at Kaduna would pass laws for the Northern Provinces only, Later, I'kethe other two kerringes, they would send members to a national House of Represent stives at Lague, the capital of the whole of Niceria.

In their dress the Nigerian dignitaries for outshone the British at the swearing-in tereoxinies. Some of the chiefs' tobes were almost blanding-heavily embroidered sick of bright green, white, yellow, blue, or invender. The chiefs were nearly all tall, striking-Loking men, many well over six feet, Most wore enormous turbans of different designs.

Spectacles for Decaration Only

Is a he down from the visitors' gallery, I noticed that the chiefs had on huge darkrimmed spectacles.

"Bad eyes?" Lasked Mr. Williams,

"No," he smiled. "These people have superh sight. The glasses are for dignity."

Then I postered that as each chief went to sign the register, he pushed the glasses up on his forehead and looked under them

After the ceremony I met the Sultan of Sokato, head of the Islamic church in Nigeria; also several emirs. As we shook hands, I wondered how long it would be before some of their secluded Moslem women would be permitted to share in the new political freedom.

"Many of the representatives of the lower House are from pagan tribes." Six Eric said, when we had litted with him and members of his staff at the British Residency, are Moslems, and at II others a - Chi Lantime is Negeria singly problems with a character of peoples in religious, customs, and even 1.1.2 1.420

be a server bitter political rivalry between Moslett and I m-Meslem has caused rioting and bloodshed in Nigeria.

In Kadana we stayed with a brilliant Britisle scientist, Dr. T. A. M. Nash. For 25 years Dr. Nash has been one of the leaders in the sight against Africa's greatest brourge, the tected fly. This small insect, found puly in Africa, has devastated vast sections of the continent, for it spreads burnan and animaforms of the dread disease trypanosomiasis, or sweping sickness.

For generations sleeping sickness has struck terror across tropical Africa. It has killed handreds of thousands of Africans and some Entureans, wiped out whole villages, and

Briven farmers from their hand.

Tseese Ply Blights Vast Areas

Today the fly still blocks progress in an area in Africa begger than the whole United States. Vast areas of fertile farmland and pastures lie empty and deserted. Though in parts of Africa modern drugs have brought sleeping sakuess in humans under control, nagana. an animal form, still destroys livestock and beasts of burden. A cow, an ox, or a home bilten by an infected fly wastes oway and usually dies.

"In Nigeria." Dr. Nash said, "most farmers have to carry their farm produce to market on thelr beads."

Much of the country's heaviest farm labor, including phowing, having, and bading, idone by band, to a large extent woman's.

I saw many tectes thes in Dr. Nash's labotutory, where he breeds them for experimental purposes and to study their habits and find out how best to attack them. They look innocent emough, rather like our own houselfe. except for their wings, which field across their backs when at rest. But Dr. Nash keeps them. carefully locked up, with metal screens on thours, windows, and cages. These, incidentally, were the only screens we saw in Africa. and they were used to keep fires in, not out.

Teelse flue are strange insects. They never driffs watter and live entirely on blood, so that a whole stableful of guinea pigs has to be kept to feed those in the laboratory. The female fly produces only one egg at a time, which she both hatenes and nourishes inside her body with milk glands until it is born.

Mother Therse's "Babies" Born Alive

The mother testes fly gives birth to a tiny white larva much as a woman gives birth to a haby.

The larva imprediately Luries itself an incl. at tente and t the ground, where it turns into a pupa (chrysalis) and some weeks later into a fly.

One mating suffices the female for life. Starting about 20 days after mating, she produces one such larva every 10 days during her life span, usually about three months.

The young teetse fly is not burmful at first. Not until it bites an inferted person or animal does it pick up trypanasomes, the parasites



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that cause sleeping sickness. But from then on it is clargerous as long as it lives

There are 11 different varieties or species of factar fly in Nugerius, some feed chiefly on men, and other varieties prefer animals.

The teles fly has a sharp processis, resembling a tany hypothermic needle, projecting straight out from its head. When the fly Jahts rin a man, this proboscis pierces the skin, in rets a non-blood-childing substance, and then traws blied. At the same time it may deposit trypanosemes in the handsuream.

Dr. Nash, who still is young and energetic after 25 years of battle against the fly. told its about the work he can attract initial sta-

are doing to bring it under control

One weakness of some species of teetse fly. be explained, is that they must have shade. They breed and live in thick undergrowth. Back in the 1930's Dr. Nights research of west that by elearing only the undergrowth and bushes along strengs the reverine teetse could be eliminated. This partial clearing method was then employed on a large scale in the Anchuit district. In a report on the project Or. Nash wrote:

Attention was first focused on the Amelia. district of Zaria Province in 1934, when 1st. N. E. W. Anderson found that one-third of the population had sleeping stekness and that in some barriets bact the population were infected."

Today the cleaned area is a contidor in northern Nigeria 70 miles leng and 10 miles wide. Here 60,000 people and their livestock live, bea thy and fly-free. Old Anchau, the region's chief city, has been cleaned up, and new vallages have been brist

How to Move a Spirit

With dry humor Dr. Nash tells some of the difficulties of this 10-year clearing and rebaile-

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"When we first started clearing around Anchim, the presence of sacred trees in the streams caused much temble, reperially in one village area. The village head would suddeally give out that the work was reaching a place where any man would one who entered the grove, the labour gangs would be them unnext day and work would come to a standstill.

"The fall was method some shated this pulsauce. The village bead, who was also the earthly leader of the spirit world, would be interviewed in frant of all his people, and after much preamble told that the existence of these spirits was causing us much trouble, that unfortunately Europeans were quite ucapable of making spirits change their shodes. but that it was rumoured that he had this amazing power: we could not believe it possible for any man to do such a thing, and con-

sidered it to be all lies, but, if he really had these powers, would be kindly remove the spirus on to a negation ring bill

"Invariancy the old man would turn up next that saying that he had wrestled with the spirats all night, and that finally they had agreed to live up the desired bill. Everyone was happy. the old man's prestige was enhanced, and we got the streams deared."

Executally the work grew into far more than clearing and assure extermination. As tribe-onen were resetted in cleaned areas, whole new communities had to be planned from the ground up. He, Nash describes the new village of Pakadaf ya pear Auchau:

"The routieays, all 100 feet wate, act as incircaks, for which there is a event need,

Pink Flowers and Pure Water

"All the trads in Takelanya have been planted up with avenues of malingmy, meagoes figs, and the pink-flawered Cassin; a True red spacing rate of 75 feet has been used in laying out the average "

Careful planting also went into locating and digging sanitary fresh-water wells and in providing drainage and elementary sewage dis-

isol. A new elementary school has then udt, and a 12-acre model fame demonstrates. new methods and new crops, including soybeans and traits,

Appropriately, the town's name, Takalatiya.

means "Walk in Health."

But Airicans will not walk surely in health until some way has been found to control nagana in brouder areas. New medicines are being tried against the trypanosomes themselves. Cattle for the tsetse belt are being given i tjections of autrovide. But, so (ar, it and provided anly a short-term immunity.*

The hipgest reservoirs of magain parasites left In Africa row are wild onlineds in the jungle. Many of them are tolerant to the disease but carry the parasites in their blood, like "Typhoul Mary." The teetse fly bates one of them, picks up the parasites, and is

dangerous from then on,

Dr. Nash tidd as that in certain limited areas where it is essential to reclaim but I from the woughind testse for increasing herds of cattle, a policy of game destruction is advocated because these teetse disappear if there ls no game

"Such a measure naturally brings a storm of opposition from ourservationists, naturalists, harriers, and many others," he said, "but in such circumstances on ethical grounds mun numal come first "

One of the pleasantest hours I passed in

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Africa was on Sunday morning in Karlutta. With Dr. Nash we went to a little Ancli an church which has been put up by the English

people of the community.

The church is built without side walls, so that it is almost completely open to the surfaced ing trees. From the soulit green brambes outside came a chorus of bird songs so lond and clear it all but drowned and the words of the service. There were buildings, nightingales, and many more, as sweet and melodious a choir as I have ever heard.

Skyserapers Built on Gold

Three thousand miles southeast of medleval Kano Res Johnnesburg, a modern city built on the profits from the Union of South Africa's fabulous gold mines. In a swrit British plane we covered the assurce in 15 hours, stoppoint only twice

We touched first at Diazzaville, the sultry capital of French Equatorial Africa, and, during World War II, headquarters for the bree French. At Livingstone, in Northeth Rhadesin, we landed again, this time in a tropical downpour. We flew on in a storm that tossed our ing plane as if it had been a small book.

On the long drive to town from the Johanneshing algorithme frequently passed great pyramids of earth rising from the ground. The man-made mountains are the gold mine dumps that are Johanneshing's trademark. Less than 70 years upo neither they nor the city existed. There was only a treeless yeld here in 1886, when the world's richest gold lode was opened.

Since then both trees and cities have sprune up along the whole 150 mile stretch of the treasure-bearing Witwaters and, "Ridge of White Waters," Manes with local headquatters in Johanneshing produced about \$409,-

J00,000 worth of gold in 1952.*

Johannesburg is now third only to Cairo and Alexandria among Africa's clues and is the largest south of the Sahara. Its streets are lined with skystraper offices, streamling a fartness buildings, and luxury hotels. Prosperous mining companies and world-famous banks alternate with smart shops, theaters, and cutes. Nearly a million people now live in Johannesburg, and it is still growing

Johannesburg, or "Johneg," as the South Mirleans call it, looks and feels youthful. Trees line its avenues: its suburbs become with dowers, its 5 800-boot elevation makes the nir seem clear and bracing, the sunlight sparkling.

Yet the city reaches faither down than it does up. Three gold mines inside Johannes-burg's municipal area go more than 2,000 feet below-the surface. Only the most modern scientific techniques and air cooling make it possible for men to work so deep underground

Intannesturg's gold has proceed note than sky-crapers and modern machinery. Four thousand students at the new University of the Witnesters and steepers and steepers, medicine, pastgradante law and engineering. The university was opened only a lattle more than half a century ago as a technical school.

We are a pleasant hatch with the university's president, Dr. Elicaphrey R. Raikes, and Dr. John H. Wellington, dean of the baculty of Science and professor of geography, on the tegrace of the Country Club. Dr. Wellington had visited the National Geographic Society in Washington, D. C., several months earlier. Dr. Raikes, in addith a to his work as a scientist, distinguished himself in the RAF during World War I; later be becaute the efficiency of the Oxford University Arranged from

During lanch we enjoyed the beautiful view from the terrace above as much as the food. Next we were shown through the Wil-

watersrand Library

We saw a fascinating collection of maps, diaries, and offer documents all dealing with the opening up of Africa. And again I was struck by the networks of this country we were visiting. Some of the papers, telling of expeditions into wild and unknown regime around Lake Agains and the Zambezi River, were signed by David Livingstone.

"You can see how recent these discoveries were," said our bost, pointing to another of the signatures. "This man was my grand

futler."

Stone Cross Marks Landing by Dias

The library's prize possession is a great deal older. It is a 7 foot stone ruses raised in 1488 by the Fortuguese explorer Bartholomeu Dias on the southeast coast of Africa.

Dias, looking for a passage to India, was the first buropean to sal, around the tip of the continent. He never got to India. His men rehelled and forced hum to turn bus; so as evidence that be had gone this far, he lande I and raised the cross.

"For genturies Portuguese writers mentioned the Dias cross," Dr. Raikes told us "I sen it was heard of no more. Not until 1938 did it come to light again. One of our research fellows found its fragments buried in the sands of miles partheast of Port Pacabeth It was brought here and pieced together."

Three and a half centuries passed between Dias's first landing and the opening up of the southern part of Africa.

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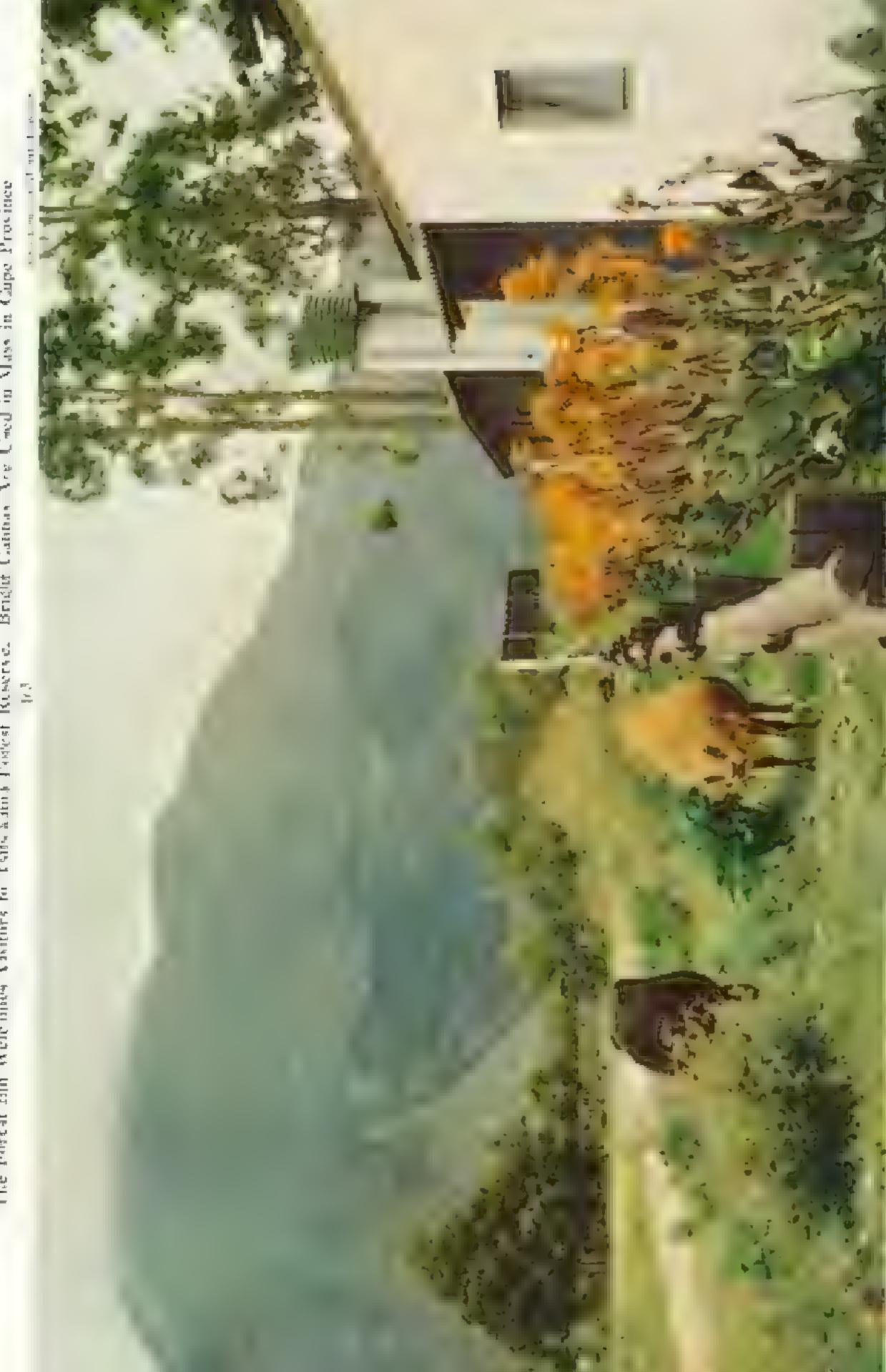
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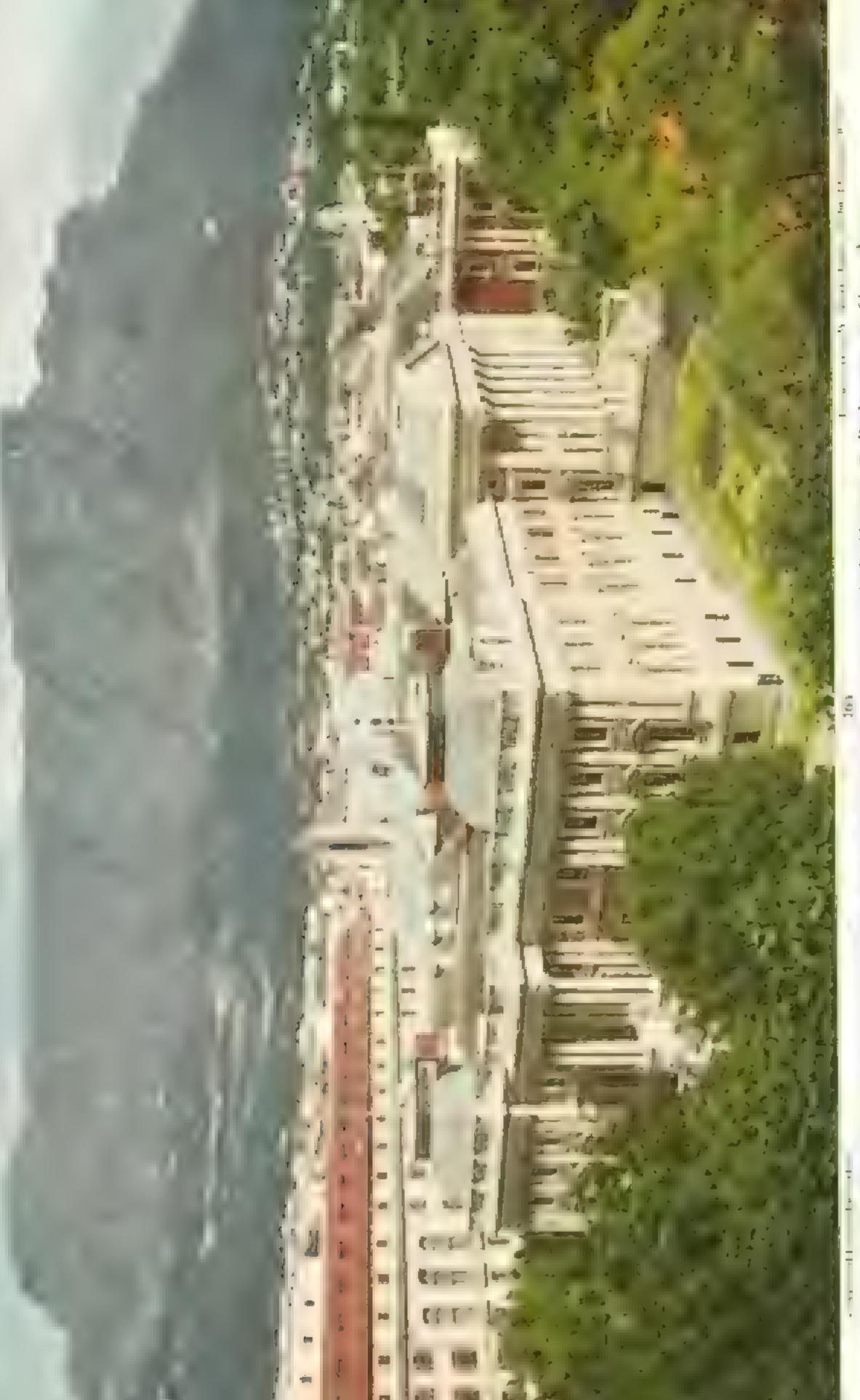
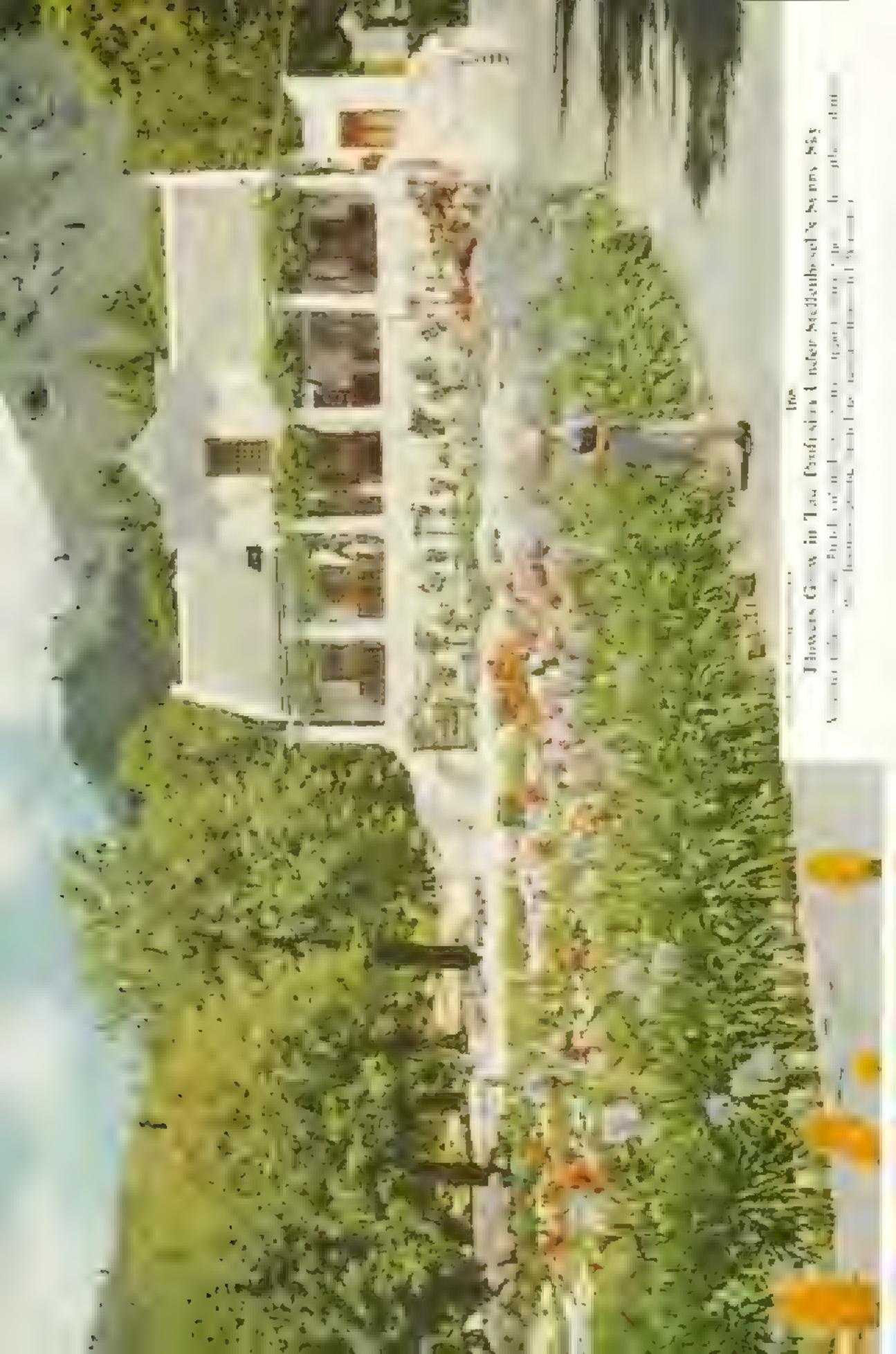


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Natural Burriers of Wave-battered Rock Divide the Subarb's Barbing Beaches



Long's Head Caps the Bald Summit of a Rocc. Hill Above Sea Point

"Don't fly down to Cape Town," a fellow passenger warned us at Johannesburg. "It's a really sugged to p." In this southwest corner of Africa, he explained, add and warm air come together violently; storms are frequent, and landing over Table Mountain is danger as.

But to us it sounded even more "rugged" by train 28 hours and almost 1,000 miles over a terrid, semiated mountain company. The plane trip, however barapy, would be over in three bours. We decided to risk it, and, as it so often turns out, the passage was less rough than the warnings.

My first view of Cape Town from the air was worth the top to me. Set close to the sea, the city seems to thew in red and white waves up and around the mountains behard it—Devil's Peak, Lion's Head, and the nucsive Table Mountain (pages 162, 166).

Wisps of cloud floated over Table Mountain's broad flat top. Cape Towners call this the "tablecloth;" when a blustery southeaster slows this way, the cloud completely covers the surface of the table

We found Cape Town in full bloom, for January, of course, is summer in this Southern Hendsphere. Parks and gardens were gay with blossoming trees and rambow-colored African flowers (page 168).

Our suburban hetel was perched high on a cl.ff, overlooking the Atantic where Diasonce sailed. At dask we tilested down a winding starway—so many steps!—to the anolder-strewn beach below. Charning bungalows face the sea, their rock-graden terraces overgrown with perunisms pasturtions, and pinks. In the background, as unreal as a post card, towers the great sharp peak of Llouis Head and the tange of the Twe ve Apostles (page 174).

Where Mighty Oceans Meet

Pleasant homes like these, lovely resorts, and fishing villages live all the mules of branches on Africa's southern peninsula, ending a the famous Cape of Good Hope and Cape Point (page 181).

Most of the resorts and fishing villages lie on the protected east coast, facing False hay, which is pear the Indian Ocean sale. There the water is warmed by the trapical Against Current, On the Atlanta, side the cold Benguela Current chills the beaches

Not far from our notel we came to a huge swimming post built along the very edge of the open ocean.

"It's not only rough and cold out there,"

of ope I a regarder, per time to a cell to
sea, "but you're likely to meet a shark,"

Cape Town is the oldest important permanebt white settlement in Africa south of the Equator. While we were there, the city was getting ready a big exposition ground to celebra e its 300th birthday. It was founded by the Putch Fast India Company some 30 years after the Dutch West India Company had sent settlers to New Amsterdam and bought Manhattan from the Indians.

When you tack to Cape Towners about history, you here again the name of Dins. They tell you about East Indiamen that saded around the Cape for 100 years niter Dias, their crews in too much of a hurry to get to the Orent, or home again, to stop here. Once in a while a vessel would pause briefly for water.

then, in 1647, a Ditch ship was wrecked, and the survivors scrambled ashore at what is now Table Bay. From a salvaged packet of seeds they grew vegetables to keep themselves alive till rescre came.

From a Seed Packet, a City

the incident gave the Datch Fast India Company an ideal. In April, 1632, a company surgeon, Jan van Redecck, was kinded at the site with amout 100 settlers. His orders were to plant a vegetal e garden for the benefit of the scorey ticken seamen of the East Indies traffic.

From the sullars' "Tavern of the Sers" Cape Town grew into one of the world's famous parts. Today it is the capital of Cape of Good Hope Province and the legislative sent of the independent British Downton, the Union of South Africa.

In the heart of town, now numbering half a radion, the stately it uses of Parliament face the 12-acre Public Gardens (page 106). And where Van Riebeeck's vegetables once grew, it saw a show collection of thousands of varieties of flowers, shrups, and trees from all over the world.

Among them are many species of Australian encalyptus and wattle, tried out as part of South Africa's extensive forest-planting program. "First thing you know, we'll have more Australian trees in South Africa than they have a Australia," a Cape Towner laughed

"We make take props out of cacabptus," he added, 'and the wattle bank supports our lig taking in sinces."

but if South Africa imports some of her trees, she more than pays for them with the native flowers she exports. So abune int and beautiful are the Cape Province's wild flowers that the area has been called "the floral province." Flowers originally native to South Africa are now cultivated in paydens all over the world. Among them are some of the lave-

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lunch, tea at 4 o'clock tea, tea everywhere!

In flumately, we like test.

In the east and north of Cape Town the English influence is less commant, giving place to Dutch and French. This is wine country. Here the mountain slopes and fettile valleys are covered with vineyards, and some of the wices are world farmers.

Land of Vineyards, Mountains

The Dutch settled nere in the 1680's and found the rolling sublit country-side ident for growing grapes. A little later an inflat of brench Hoguenots added their centuries-old

wine-making skill.

l'aarl is the center of today's wine and brandy brdustry. A hospitable town, it drowsed in the sun as we drove along its 7-m le "Main Street." Despute the Dutch name, the whitewashed walls, tall, pointed cypresses, and talk of grapes and virtages made me think of setathern France.

The first important vineyards in the area were planted by Simon van der Stel, one of the pioneer Dutch governors. We visited his home, Groot Constantia, which has been restored as a nuscum. It is a dool, white manson with curved and curliqued Cape Dutch gables shaded by stately old onks.

In the rear of the house we saw dark, cavelike rooms without windows, once used as slave quarters. Here the slaves were locked up at night. Near by run a stream where they washed their feel when it came time to

trample out the grapes.

Van der Stel's vineyands are still producing The South African Government now operates the Groot Constantia homestead as a model

wine-making center.

Another monument to Van der Siel is the near-by city of Stellenbosch, which he founded in 1679. From the University of Stellenbosch, center of Afrikaans speech and culture, have come three South African Prime Maisters, including the late Jan Christiaan Smits.

Sight-seeing trips around the Cape Paninsula may turn up anything from granita tem-

Les to mischievous baboons.

The Temple on Devil's Peak

Skirting Devil's Peak, we drove south through land once owned by Britain's empire builder, Cecil Rhodes. He left a hage estate to the country he helped found. Has own boase, Groote Schuur, he bequeathed as the official residence of prime ministers of the then unborn Union of South Africa (page 178).

On the slopes of Devil's Peak above Groute Schuur the South Af han Government has outle un impressive temple in his memory. Near by stands the University of Cape Town, housed in white classic huddings.

At the university we packed up a professor who was to show us a hird senctuary in Cape Hats, a watery area north of Fulse Ray.

On the way we had our first look at a South African bird that was to become very far a flight the thickind, or extre eget. It was perched on a cow, searching for ticks and other insects scared up as the animal walker along. Within the past year cattle egrets have been found in Florida and north to Cape May, New Jersey, and even New England.

The sanctuary is called Senton by the English, from the Dutch word sector, which nears "sea tow." The name goes back to a time when hippopotamuses (sometimes releated to by older South Africans as "sea tows") cooled themselves in its waters.

The hippus have long since been killed off, but we found the low, marshy land and cloud-less sky dark with birds—pelicans (white with black wing tips), become, gulls, terms, and egrets. There were could, accords, stocks (both black and white), and many kinds of darks and ployer, as well as the swallows which we were to find all over Africa.

We were fascinated by the show, since for 40 years we have made our home outside Washington a sanctuary for North American

birds

We recognized one of the Seacon visitors, the arctic term as an old friend and world traveler. Every year this bird flies from the tip of Africa and other southern areas to eastern Canada and preets us at our summer home at Basideck, Nova Scotia. Its route, almost 11,000 miles, is the lougest of any magnitory bird.

Heware the "Friendly" Baboons

At the end of the spectacular Marine Ibrive, cut in spots through solid rock high above the breakers, we came to the Cape of Good Flope. There, on the great barren rocks that plunge 050 feet into the sea, a band of bahoons, the "Cape clowns," stood between us and the open ocean. There were hig, medians-sized, and attle bahoons, and some tiny ones clinging to their nothers

They were currous and seemed friendly as i even approached us to log for food. But they are pranksters, and we were warned not to leave the one without clusing the windows.

Not long before, balanons had torn the up-

holstery of an open car to bits.

Early one morning we flew from Cape Town to Oultshoom, center of the estrich-raising industry. What gold is to Johannesturg, the ostrich is to this dry inland region. Before World War I, when the demand for plames was at peak, this section of the Cape Province was known around the world.

Then Paris modistes decreed buts without

plames. The bottom dropped out of the most ket and fortunes were lost, until Chr 1-hourn's estrich breeders learned to supplement their teacher business with other activities—drivy—

ing, fatheing, and sliver tability

Ostriches provide more than feathers, however. For morning tea under shady peoper trees at one estrub farm, I trust ostrich ment and it ocuves, a form of billing, grated and served on crackers. It was dark brown, crisp, salry, and slightly sandy.

One Egg Serves 24 People

For lanch we use astrich-egg omelet. Ostrich eggs are much truber than bens' eggs, hat they provide the petfect answer in case of unexpected guests; one ostrich egg can serve

18 to 24 people!

We use just about everything, from fruthers to town is," sold our hostess. "The townails and semetimes the feet are made into ashtrays. Even the skip topices excellent hand-hags and shoes. But only the nodes—and the best breeds—give us the valuable black and white plumes for capes, ians, and buts. The females' feathers are duit gray. We make dusters out of them,"

There are now an estimated 25,000 birds on about 200 farms in the Chadrahoorn area. Here, sunny conditions there and toom for the ostriches to race about particularly favor the industry. But there are many tricks to this

tragle.

Ostruches can be unmying, undependable creatures. Mortal ty is high among the chicks, and adults tend to have accidents; they try to eat the inedible or they fall into hules and neak their legs.

Ostriches do not mate until they are three or four years old. Incubation of eggs basis six weeks. During this time the cock takes turns with the ben in sitting on the nest.

We saw hundreds of hany ostriches about the size of turkeys. Different age groups are kept in separate enclosures for the protection

of the smaller ones

When the time comes for placking, farmers pull the hig birds by their necks into a pen with a shepher is crook. Extreme care must be taken to keep from breaking the estrich's delicate neck. During the placking process a cover is often slipped over the bird's head.

"No," someone answered my question, "It doesn't hart the estrich to pick his feathers any more than it does a man to get a nair-

eul."

Though ostriches can't fly, they make good speed on the ground. They semetimes take around the complent 25 miles an hour or more

Tensed into dancing and flapping their stubby wings, they make a comic sight. But adult cock astriches are far from barmless.

One we watched was particularly nervous and helagement. When an attendant powerful high be struck out sudneally with his powerful high.

"They've been known to rip a man open with those heavy nails," the farm manager fold us.

I noticed a man siding an estrich around the correl.

"It's not hard," they told me, "Try it"

Climbing up on my steed. I found it eather accumous with nertoing to head to but a moreful of fluff (page 171).

On the other band, it's something of an expetience to pluck feathers (my bank was two bandsome feathers, one black and one white)

from opes mount,

Between Oudtshoorn's desertlike country and the lush consideres slong the Indian Chean rise the Outenique Mountains. Undersque means, in Hottentot language, "Little Brown Man Who Brings Honey from the Mountains."

that y of the Boer pioneers managed somehow to drive their on teams and heavily laden wagens into the open veld beyond. Like America's western settlers, these Yourtrekkers enthred great hardships to their search for land and freedom. Their daring was rivaled only by that of the engineers who later by to magnificant highways over these same narrow.

Ittwing south, in a series of awesome turns and twists over Montagu Pass (page 186), we left the arid hinterlands behind to follow South Africa's "Garden Route."

This levely stretch of coastal roads winds between the mountains and the sea. Here deep-green forests alternate with fields and gardens. Thousands of varieties of flowers and th wering shrubs line the way.

Farther along come panoramas of seaside thus, white beaches and blue lagoons, and ocean-fronting resorts, with bowling greens,

golf courses, and tennis courts.

However concess, retired buildshipen, and vacationists from the warmer African regions thock to the garden playground. We stopped at land's end, in the popular scenic resort botel incongruously called "Wildertess."

The Randavel-Africa's Motor Court

The proprietor, Mr. Owen Grant, has been a member of the National Geographic Society for 26 years. He come to bourts Africa from England in 1900 and was one of the engineers who helped build the country's mountain-clarbing railways. He was a pilot in World War I and still files his own plane. When he visited New York several years ago, he rested a south airplane to fly himself and Mrs. Grant around the eastern States.

While my husband played golf with him on



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of new in lustries, but Shipping is the blg business; it is South Africa's third largest port. Canned parcapple from here finds its way to the gracery store in our Nova Scotia summer home.

Along this coast, as in the West Indies impeful facture-seckers are always fitting out expeditions to find lost treasure. Our morning paper told of a venture just getting under way between Port Elizabeth and Duthon. Its object was to aring up gold from the East Indiaman, the Grossensor, wrecked in 1782.

It would be well worth salvaging! The 800-tim Geogregor saded from Triacomalee, Ceylon, in Jamtary. Youred was a falcilous treasure; gold, silver, ivory, previous stones, and coins, valued then at \$10,000 000. Besi les these, the samp also may have catrier two jewel-energesed golden percocks from the throne of the Great Mogulat New Delbi. The throne was once valued at \$35,000,000.

So loaded, the Constraint, a floating treasme chest, can into had wrather off Penaluland about 30 mites northeast of what is now Port St. Johns. Wedged or rocks only a few hundeed yards offshore, she was broken up by

heavy seas.

Since then, several attempts have been made to rescue the treasure. One group in 1906 tunneted under the sea bed to within 40 feet of the wreck, then quat for lack of enjoital. Star, only a few comes, some broken china, and some mated guns layer ever been found.

"Thanks to Mr. Bell"

Even more of a surprise than the story alout the Georgeon was another newspaper headline; "Thanks to Mr. Bell," By countreleme we had arrived just us the city was inaugurating a new automatic telephone exchange, to serve 3,000 new subscribers.

The "thanks" telemed to my father's invention of the telephone 76 years earlier. With it was a page-long and agustuly accurate

hi graphical sketch.

My husband and I vested the editorial offices of the newspaper, the hastern Procunce Herald, to thank its editors. It was not been morning when we arrived, and we found them.

of oursel shaving tea. After introductions they usked us to join them. The next day the Herold had another story with a picture and a three-column headline:

"P. E. Telephone Switch Coincidence:

Inventor Bell's Liquighter in City"]

But if that telephones symbolize modern Africa, one sight I saw in Port El zabeth was straight from the jungle. In the heart of town hes a shrib- ami plant tilled pit where hundreds of live snakes writhe and crawl, coit and uncoil. We watched johannes, a vetotan native attendant, dressed in heavy

chares and leggings, handle the pull polices. Cupe cal ras, bromstanes, green and black mapphas, and other venomous saukes.

A job in Snake Park is not for the t mid Johannes and other men who go into the pot are often hitten. They survive only because of snakehite serum, quickly administere I,

We had visited "stacke parks" in other cities, archading the famous ones in Sas Paulo, Brusil, and Mami, Flore to. They are more than just tourist a tractions. Fort II gabeth's reptiles are regularly "oursed" of their posson for use in making antivenins. During World War II the serpentarium collected whom for second to project the lives of Allied soldiers.

Durban: Lonely Outpost to World Port

We flow post to literan, south Airica's leading scaport, with a population of 475,000. It has many factories, and its wharves are busy and crawded; yet it has beautiful resort lotels along its water front, fine, clean beaches, and a wonderful warm sea whol.

Only 12's years ago it was a lonely British outpost. The Land around it then was still ruled by Zubi langs whose feere warriers, thousands strong, bud fought blondy battes.

with the early settlers.

Here the South African street scene, familiar to me by now, changes. Small-featured Indian women work by an gold and laverder saris. Exploring side lanes, I found descendants of Zula warriors selling maxic potions and chatms along with mealic—native even.

In a shed market we saw samples of the old Zulu crafts—he idwork, feathers, and basket weaving. Next to them were delicate ivery carvings made by the Indians, relative

n e are s Africa (page 190).

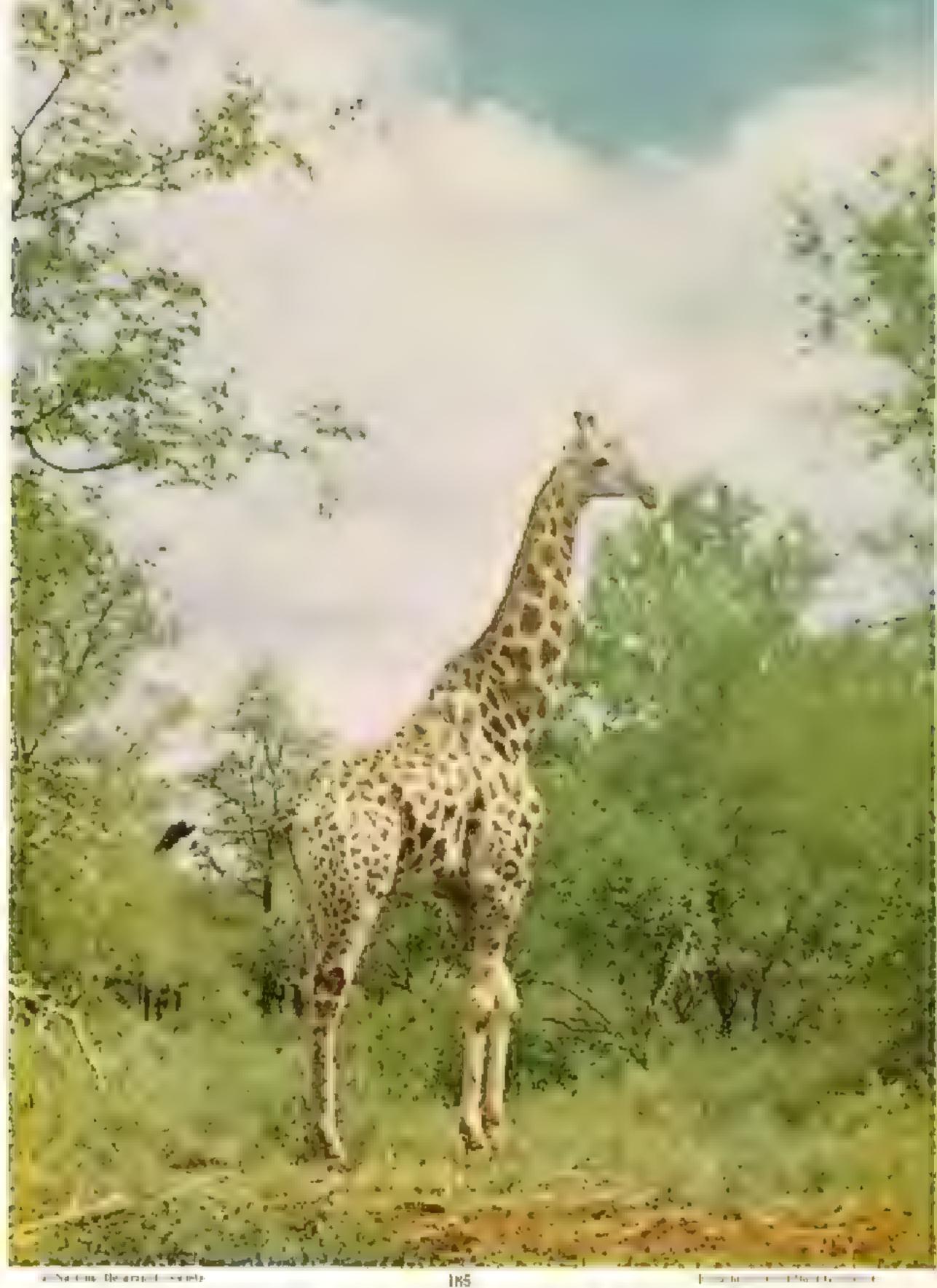
We have the largest Irdian community of any city outside India," a Liurbanite told us, "It started in the 1850's, when the sugar growers began importing indentured workers from India for their plantations. Now we have Handy temples, bazzaars, and even free walkers and spake characters."

Substitute for Witch Doctors

In Imrban we visited the McCord Zulo Hospital, one of South Africa's first hospital, exclusively for new-European patients.

Its founder was Dr. James B. McCord, an American medical missionary who came to Natal in 1899. The Zatus, when he arrived, still depended on witch doctors to cure their tile. Dr. McCord devotes the next 40 years to bringing them movern medical care.

Dr. Alan Taylor, who has headed the hospital since Dr. McCord retired in 1940, and Mrs. Taylor, who is a Canadian, propolly howed us through the modern 6-story wing brom a cuttage clinic where Dr. McCord once



Bull Grade Takes a Lofty View from a Roadside in Kruger Park

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Everywhere we went, from the children's ward to the verandas, where then lav on the foor Zula style patients out minutes listened tantly to Dr. and Mrs. Taylor's wards

We accept not only Zulus," he told us.

at Indians and all other non-Europeans we can find room for. Not long ago the Duthan Indians themselves collected faculs for a Malactua Gandhi Ward."

South Africa's Own Paul Revers

frequery years before the first Irrigue came, the fate of the infant part of Durban hung in the bilance. It was decided by an Laglish Paul Reven

We heard the story out at the city's Old

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Matering folian I to Pietermaritzharg cost capital of Natal, we found the Hutch side of the struggle. The city itself is tormed for two stout Boer leaders. First Retief and Ger Maritz. In its Voortnekker Museum visitorary saw of a of the Great Trak at the last two weeds to the Great Trak at the last two weeds to the city of the same trades.

North at all their nations that is

present-day Zululand, a 10 000 square-mile reserve of round bechive buts and cattle ktaals. The once worlike Zulus have bung up their spears to follow peaceful pursuits. There are few men around the kraals, as they are employed to the neighboring cities. Zulu women as a rule stay home and grow vegetables.

Near the Zuar capital, Eshawe, we stopped at the primitive but of a well-known native sculptor. Ntuli. This young man has refused tempting offers to come to the city and practice his arcesters. His models are Zulus and wild animals of veld and bush. His but has no windows and no chimney. But with thay right outside his door and wives to cultivate his fields, he has everything he needs to make tim happy. His statuettes sell for good prices, and he can sell all he makes.

"Thy sically, the Zulus are different from white people," he said. "Their legs and even their cars are shaped differently. I prefer to stay here and model try own people."

I saw primeval Africa, wild and unspoiled, at Hashluwe Game Reserve, deep in Zulaland.*

Highlawe (the name means "Land of the Thorny Climbing Plant" and as pronounced "shion shionwer") is a 40,000-acre reserve set aside by Natal Province. Wild animals roam through it just as they do! before white men came to Africa.

As we drove along the winding road into the barbed-wire enclosure of the reservation, we counted 11 kinds of animals we had never seen before. It was near dock, which, like dawn, is a likely time to find the peasts coming out of the bush to drink and feed.

Gnu Locks Like a Horsed Horse

By the side of the road an ogly little wart hog trotted, its sprky tail held high. We passed a wildebeest, or gru—familiar to crossword paszle fans—which booked like a frolicking horse with horse. Then some antelopes, including an impala, tossing graceful lyreshaped agens, and a log kuth, with parrow white stripes (page 182).

We caught a glumpse of a hyena of two slinking through the underbrush, A duiker, another kind of anteippe, about 26 inches high, leaped across our saud. A waterbuck gazed at us inquiringly and bounded away, is corr anches with a war airch as it is had sat down on a freshly painted toilet sent.

A little farther along we spotted a group of black thines quietly grazing. We were not forded by their peaceful appearance; the black thine, when disturbed, is unpredictable and extremely aggressive.

"If one of them should charge you when you're on foot," we had been warned, "it's a

good idea to algazg as you run, like a ship when a submarine chases it. Rhinos have post eyeslabt and can see only straight about."

Nevertheless, my husband decided to try for a picture, Stopping the car, he got out and edged closer to the great beasts while I looked on anxiously. Then, as he mised his camera, one of the larger things turned toward him and moved omin susty forward.

I shouted a warning from the car. He paused long enough for one more picture, then imped into the car. The driver stepped on the accelerator and we sped away.

Hant for a White Rhina

The animal we particularly wanted to see and photograph at Hlubluwe is one of the ratest in the world; the white thinsceros. A few carefully protected groups are still left on these primitive acres.

"You can tell them easily from the black," said Capt. Havold Potter, F.R.Z.S., Zuhrland's lean and sharp-eyed Game Conservator, "The white ones are larger and heavier and somewhat lighter in color, though they're not really white; and they have a square jaw. The black has an overlanging by. Also, the white thing feeds on grass, while the black feeds on tree shoots."

The visitor's camp at Hlubluwe is a group of cottages and rondavers. A kitchen is provided, but guests have to bring their own food. A candle by the bedade is a reminder that the camp's electric lights go out at 10 p m.

Hoping to see a white thinn, we were up and out at dawn. We had to depend on our chauffeur to find the primals, often only dimly visible in the bushy jungle.

Our car moved on to a road that was little more than a path, and finally fato a tree-dutted willer

"Look!" exclaimed the driver. "White things under the thorn trees! Six of them!"

Again my husband had his entern ready, and he got an anasual picture, since white things are schoon seen in groups larger than two or three (page 188). They are less aggressive than the black ones, despite the jact that they weigh about a ton more and have an almost armor-plate skin.

Some of the most interesting residents of Habluve, to me, were the hornbills, large birds with great hornbile beaks and a very odd family life. There are several varieties, and most of them follow the same peruliar cost on: at nesting time the female, with the help of the mole, walls berself up with mod inside a bollow tree. Only a small hole is left, through which the male feeds ber and the

*See "Reamine Africa's Unfenced Zoes," by W. Robert Moore, Namin's Greensmille Manages, March, 1982







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Indian Ludies Stroll Down a Portuguese Sidewalk in East Africa

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Sar etary Bird Wears a Quill Pen "

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The honey gan e may press bly prove to be for portant to meshed salence, we I armed I not Dr. Herbert briedingmo Carator of Birds at the U.S. National Museum in Washington, D. C., is making a study of the honey guide's peculiar ability to discales.

This may provide a method of attacking to wastill envelope that protects to terrolosse terms from medication

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Don't Put the Lions.

Don't bube; there are often croudiles in the smallest pools. How t become narmed if lions stand and stare at your car... In lion's nose to be bind at once that a car is not cone to eat... Don't imagine become the hous are pressed. that you can propriet put then

Such are routine instructions for visitors to Kruger National Park, world-favous game preserve. Without our steel-hodled car we would not have been admitted. Visitors, for safety, are believed from was desired about on foot, lievele, or horsekack, or after dark.

Kruger Park, on the eastern border of Transvaul I powince, was started in 1808 durant the efforts of the Borr statesman, Parl Ecoger, who was then possident of the independent South African Republic.

Here, in an area nearly as large as Massa-husetts, wonder cichharts, catalies hippopotamuses, zelmas, and mattle ies of all kinds kruger's done are famous but sometimes coy. Even for the British royal party in 1947 none made an appearance

With our hast, superintendent H. C. van der Veen, we set out one norming just as labt was breaking. We passed a jungle waverger, or wakul, and then a head of antelopes of ing as peacely by as cows (page 185).

Honking at the king of Beasts

Saddenly a town y shadow boomed ahead of us, and we almost drive over two blase floor stretched out in the road. They had evicently fast finished breakfast—perhaps on one of the best we had just seen—and were too lary to get up. They liesed their chops and paws, looked at us supercisionsly, and rolled over in the dist. Finally, after we but photographed them, we shouled and horsely and moved to the side of the road and lay down again to inish their map (page 161).

We turned a corner, and there by the side of the road stood a giant girafie, but he scarred and seconingly indifferent to traffic (page 185). But that was may a pase. He hannered he-hind a tree and pecked out at us from the very top, first from one side, then the other.

' Sorry," said Mr. van der Veen as we drove on, "that you didn't see our sable antelope."

Almost us no spoke, several of these magnificent beasts homed in the high grass, a study in black and waite and arched homs.

Jack at his attractive stone home we found that even in this wi dernies modern inventions have their place.

Malaria used to be a curse here at this time of year." he said. "Every year we sent a a children away for six months. Now, with the daily spraying of DDT, we feel safe enough from the most atoes to keep even our two-year-old hapy with us."

Across the Transvaul we drove through mile after mile of green and fragrant orange groves. These trees, well over half a million of them.

belong to Zebediela, one of the largest citrus cetates in the world

Zetedie a cwas and operates its own local to broad fact my, laboratories, and hospital. It hires more than 3,000 patives and 500 foropeans.

The venture grew out of the during and imagination of the late I. W. Schlesinger, who came to Johannesburg Irom America as a penniless immigrant and started a chain of successful enterprises

On an exploring trip into the Transcoal 30 years ago, he saw the possibilities of its rich and vegas soil -if it could be supplied with water.

Hacked by vast sums of enterprise capital, the Schlesinger Ovzanisation clearers the land, chunned near-by rivers, built irrigation chantels, and hazed deep wells.

A golden harvest was proving forth when an epidemic of relapsing fever, carried by a soft-shelled tick attraction was amountated, backs out among the workmen. The disease threatened the very existence of the project it was the ked only by humning out the whole village, where that and roofs and thay boors butboard the tick. Now the wrokers like in new tack-free bouses made of concrete.

Zehedicia's oranges are shipped to other parts of Airica and north to Eppland and the Continent.

South Africa Has Three Capitals

On our way back to Johannesburg we stopped in Pretoria, capital of the Transvall and administrative sent for all South Africa its tree-land avenues and classic architecture tentiaded me of Washington, D. C.

The Union of South Africa, I ke the United States, has its government misuded into three segments—administrative, legislative, and judicial. But, unlike our government, in South Africa each segment has its own capital city.

Pretoria is the home of South Africa's chief executive, the Governor General, of its Cabinet ministers and tivil service; it is also the residence of foreign diplomats. Cape Town is the seat of the Legislature. And Bloemfontein provincial capital of the Orange Free Statute beadquarters of the untional judiciary

Faul Krager, the Boar fighter who founded.
Krager Park, lived and is burned in Fret via
The city has preserved his old homestead, a
hing, one-story building, just as it was in his
time. There visitors can gaze at his persona
belongings and recall the man, with his pipe,
cane, and familiar top hat; his Bable, and his



lanife with which he once amputated his own fover after a gan explosion had injured it.

Pretoral's have granite V northekket M mument, anyeded in 1949, as me of the most in resolve I have seen. The central structure folds statues and friezes showing the history of the Great Trek. Surrounding it is a defense circle of scriptured trek wagons. From behind their wagons the trekkets often fought it out with bastde unives, just as American plotters's battle I with a property and ans.

Pretoria has roots in the past. But it is also the Union's largest steel producer and was the site of its first large-scale steel pro-

1 nd on

"Julburg" Miners Dance Off Steam

throng our become stop in John neshung we saw our blegest show. It cames on Sunday, when the native workers of the gold nines forget they're "cival-zed" and three to the Je mitive rhythms of their old tribal life.

He watched the manding form sents in a right dam, similar to our own footbal, books. There was room for an audience of three or four thateand people, with vections divished equally between an ive and white spectators, all admitted free. The arena was turned over to the dancers.

They were a fantastic assertment of harburic facery—leopard skins, beads, estrich feathers and leg rattles. Most of this idomtiont was simply superimposed on their Euro-

pean work clothing.

It's the francise anneament," said our has at the Rose Deep Mine on the edge of town. "But just to make sure that the fundament get too violent, you'll notice the spears are wooden."

Each tribal group had its own special ret, posturing, kloking, advancing by jumps, special ret, posturing, whiching, or throwing themselves on the ground. Some of the dancers carried chinoceros-skin shields with their wooden spears, or poles ending in extails which booked like kitchen maps.

Others wore big, I use rubber boots. They kept rhythm with these by knocking them together or slapping them with their bands

Musical instruments were optic ingenious. There were doubleads stretcher across bat-

 Founding Waters of the Umgeni River Plance 365 Feet Down Howick Falls

This lary enteract, time than twice the bencht of Newcara Falls, has only 15 to les northwest of the cent of Patermarichung. Nathly provinced capital, Romak Falls, has Newcara, has been retreated for many cents near leaving minus it dominates at not visitery view the talk each year. Next by are tylesur family apply and hands or place apoly goal hands one resort basels.

rels, tin whistles, and nurimbus made of planks, copper tubing, and the caus. One dancer rattled out his own accompanional with stones in a shoeblacking can. A group of men in women's clothes chanted accompanional, representing v large winners

Mine workers are recta ted from hush villages and signed to contracts ranging from the mouths to two years. A beginner a pay is three shillings tabuat 41 cents) a day, but it goes up rapidly as he gains skill. Besides the wages the company provides living quarters, hearty, outritious meals, and free heer

the saw the huge wats of beer from which the miners get their daily ration, and visited the dormitories where they sleep in banks camped around a central freeplace. Each to bal croup loves by itself, as they sometimes tight, group against group, and when they do, it is always to the death. These treplaces are used for cooking as well as heating, since each man receives three pounds of mecoaked meat a week in addition to his regular meals.

A portion of the miner's money, we learned, may be withheld as a cest edg. With this the miner can go home as a main of consequence. Later he may want more money and return to the mines for another cortract term. If he does, he keeps his old seniority and pay,

But aften the retired pold miner uses his savings to set himself up for life, with land and cattle. He trades lds cattle for a wife or wives, and settles a wen. In the booth African inclands the price for a wife is five cows!

Smoke That Thunders

Flying over Victoria Falls, we were balked of our first lock at the catoract by the mistatlar veil it

"At certain seasons," our plk t said "those mists are like a smoke column. We can spot it 80 miles away med set our course by it."

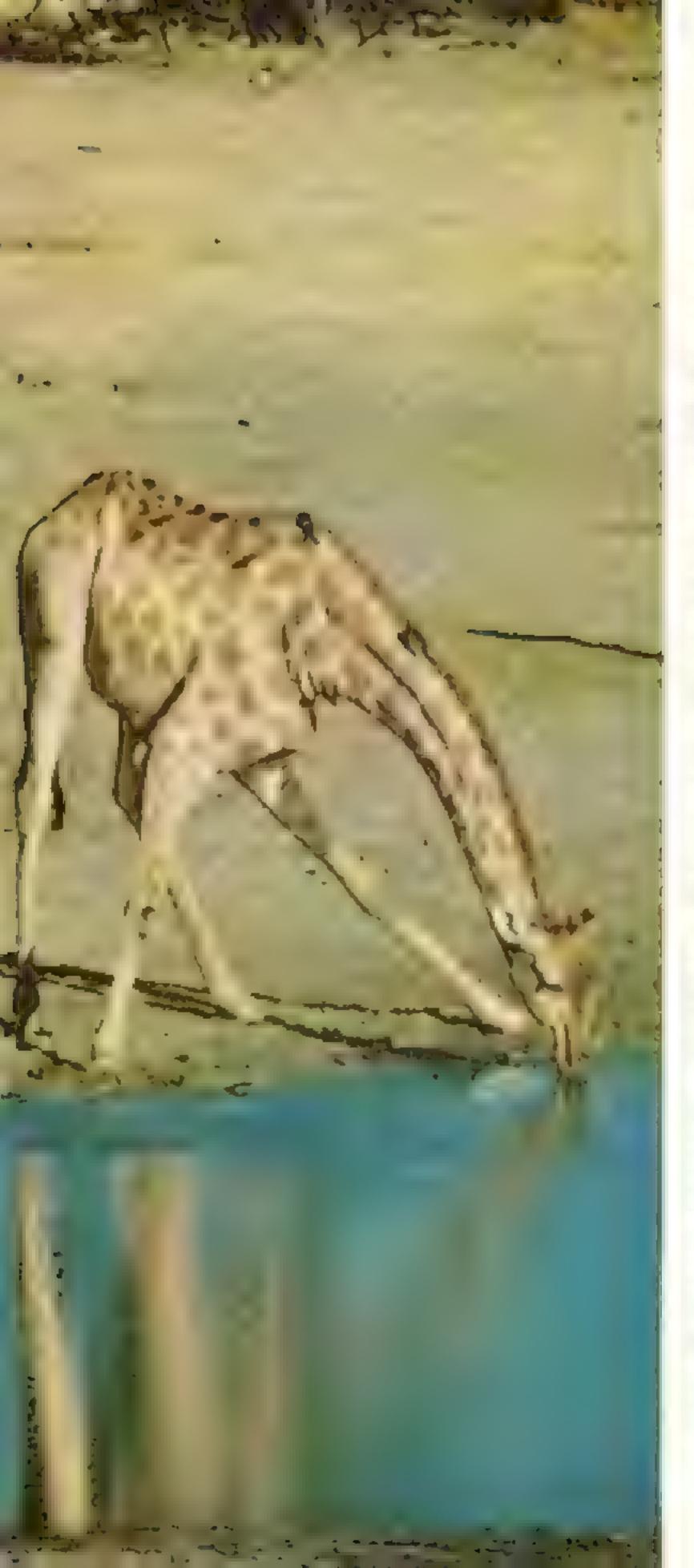
We doin't get a clear view of the "Smoke That Thunders," as the natives called the falls when Livingst me discovered them in 1855, until we flew over them again in a clustered plane. The bright smaltght pieceed the mist, and we could see below as the plant d Zambern River take its demonth 354-6mt dive

"Mission accomplished," we flew to Southern Rhodeshi's Ralawayo, a young city in the still young country fathered by Cecil Rhodes," Near by, at the crest of the grande-faced Mutopo Hills, stands Rhodes's grave, surrounded by massive boulders,

But Rhodes, who died only in 1902, belongs to Africa's present. We had a date with the past, at the site of one of the world's great

[&]quot;Set "Rhodesta, Hubby and Hope of Ceril Rhodes," is W. Robert Moore, National Geometry, Marketon, September, 1944





Giraffes, Gawky Legs Spread Wide, Drink at a Water Hole in Southern Rhadesia

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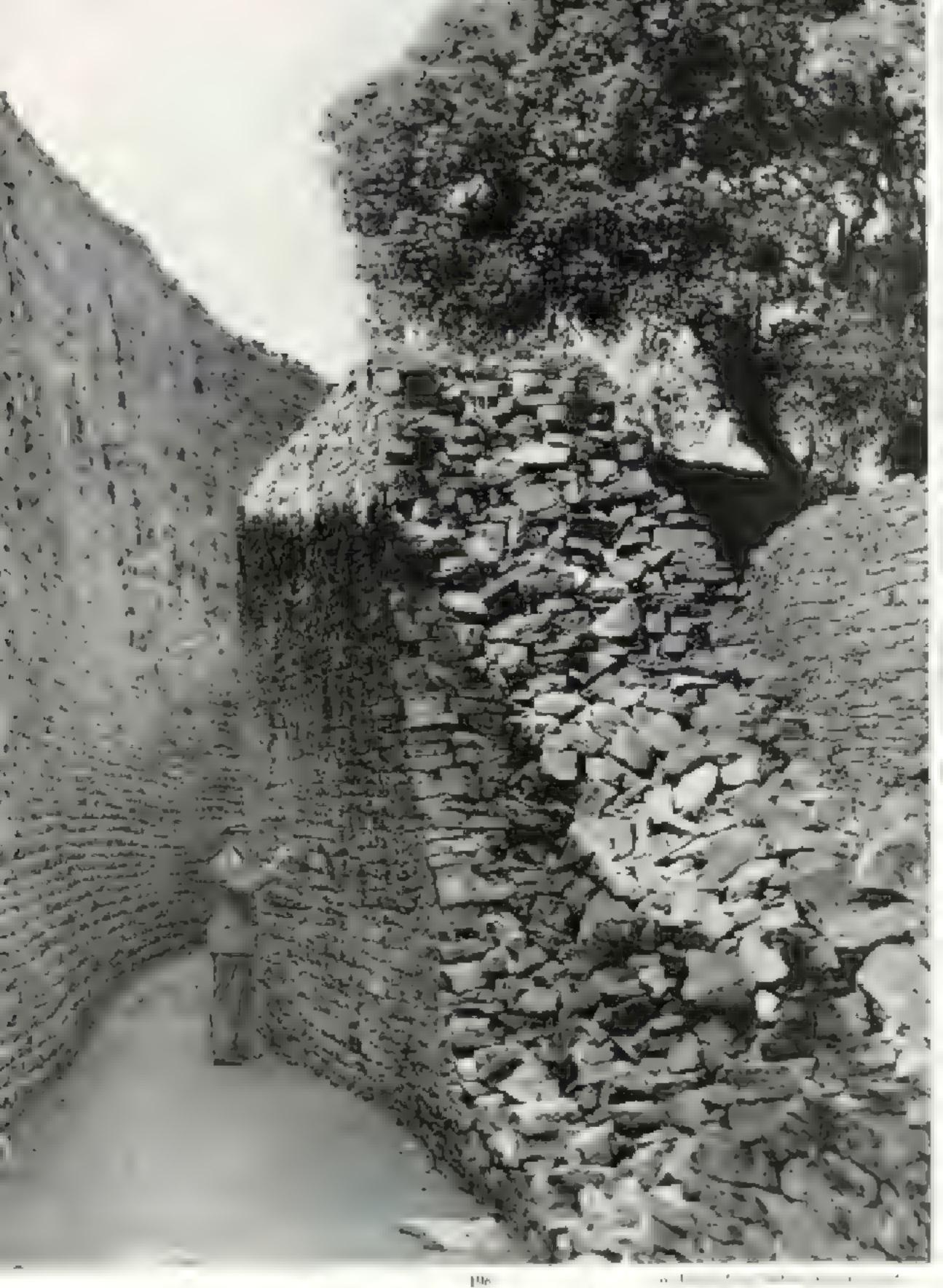
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 "You can't make it," they told us. "The reads are washed out. There's no through train, no air service."

We managed, through. Our pilot back at Virteria Falls had simply arranged with a colleague for us to hire a plane, one of those to trace its motor, and a role a role.

throughout much of Africa.

Thus 150 miles east, I Balawayo (finishing by cor over partially prover, read) we came to Zimbahwe, the roins of a city built by an unknown people at an unknown time. Even the name is a puzzle. It may combine two Bantu words meaning "stones" and "houses."

The massive structures which make up the "Great Zimpahwe" are highly of haml-hewn stone skallfully fitted together without murtar. They were laid out rapefully in a geometric

Item. At one end is a vast and modless I aptical Temple. Its thick inner and onter walls coclose platforms and two towers.

Who Lived in Zimbabwe?

Near by are the scattered stones of a Valley of Rules where people may time have lived. Beyond rises the Acropolis, a bill crowned by obvious fortifications. Here the granite walls were so constructed as to merge with and make the greatest defensive use of the glant boulders alrestly on the spot.

Wan lering along, I was reminded of Machu-Acchu, in Peru, where another vanished racehas left similar rulns of mortanless stone.

But Machu Picchu is linked with the Inca and pre-Inca per ples. Zimbahwe lacks authenthe records or inscriptions and has few relies to best at a long-lost past. Not even burial grounds identify its people.

There are clues to what their occupation was, ok crucibles for melting gold have been found in the rushs. Medieval Arah and Ferta-cuese explorers once told of some such far-ulous gold-mining center in the interior

Archeologists have argued gian t Zugledove ever since Adam Renders, American hanter

and trader, found the ruins in 1808.

Early investigators thousands of years, bad been in existence thousands of years, some suggested that ancient travelets, perhaps the Phoenicians or Saberns, had built the city. Others theorized that it was in the Biblical land of Ophir; that it was the source of gold for Scionan's Temple and of the gifts brought by the Queen of Sheba.

Modern archeologists make no such claims of antiquity, but the detective work goe- or Since we were at Zimbabwe, U. S. phy there examined a piece of wood from one of the angle of the land to the land the Uriger counter, they have the predicted the radionalityity of the wood and estimated the radionalityity of the wood and estimated the radionalityity of the wood and estimated

mated its age; about 1,350 years)

The gold that once helped support Zimbabwe is still important in Southern Rimderia's commonly. Last year heatly half a million nances were taken from log and little mines scattered over the country. Many of them dig into the same veins worked by the early race of upknown mapers.

"We know the ancients worked our mines," said Mrs. Bill West, who with her husband owns and operates a gold more near Zimbabwe. "We've found their crude implements in the old mine shofts. One of the theories about the many alandoned diggings found another here is that the miners gave up each time they struck water. Since they dain t know how to pump it not, they had to move on."

the too were moving on. We were schedted our control of the or locally penetrated only by men pushing on fact through

swamps and jungles.

From Zimbalove back 13 Bulowayo the alrumbs flowed by. We flew on 15 Salabury, Southern Rhodesla's capital, and from there over the tip of Portuguese Mozambli, we und the high plateaus and mountains of the British protectorate, Nyasaland,

We are seed Lake Nyasa and the game hads of southern Tanganyika, to stop at the Indian Orean port, Dar es Salsant. Its Arabic name means "Haven of Pence," belying a stormy

German-British history.

Finally, 400 miles farther, we landed at inland Nairobi, the lively capital of Britain's kenya Colony and Protectorate. Europeans in Kenya number only about 30,000, less than one percent of the Negro population. During our stay there, however, we could see little trace of the racial unrest which was to erapt less than a year later into a series of bloody massacrates by the Man Man, a Communistinspired organization of Kukuyu tribesmen.

Hints for Travelers

From Kenya we visited L'ganda, Belgian-Congo, Ethiopia, the Sadan, and Egypt.

We found travel in Africa pleasant and easy for the most part, the scenery fabulously beautiful, the borels and inns good as a rate. The find was uniformly excellent, But for travelers who expect to fellow our route. I can effer this advice:

Take clothes for all climites. Even in equatorial Africa it's cool on the plateaus, 6 000 or more feet up, and a cont is useful. At Zanzibur and Dur es balazan, on the other band, the thingest, lightest things in the ward-tobe are the forest comfortable.

He careful as dressing your mail. When

^{*} See "Fern Homeland of the War ike Jura" I v. Kap Ross, National Lie separate Magazine, October, p. 20



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sending letters home to the Galted States. oun't, for a city such as Richmond, put "I', S, A." after it, or it will probably be delivered to Richmand, Nasal, in the Unital of South Africa. There are many howns whose pames duplicate ours, and "U.S A." are the initials in common use for the Lairn of South Africa as well as for the United States of America.

He wire to make hotel reservations in advance. If stell and inns, with few exceptions are small and are ofter the

Keep your passpoor your and the colrecords with you at all times. Traveling in much of Africa, you are not up uply from one part of the British t mnonwealth to are ther. Just the same and be asked to show your papers at each amp at

This is because each political subdivision has its own government: Nigeria is a colory and pretectorate; the Union of South Africa is a duminion consisting of four l'invinces Northern Rhodesia and Uganda are protectorates, and Southern Rhodesia a self-governing rolous; and so up. In some cases, of course as in the Belglan Congo, Ethiopia, and Legpt. you are maying under a different flag entitely

For the same trusing it is wase not to take t to much of one kind of money with you, as the money and postage stables, of course, change at each border. Also, cach time you cross a frontier you have to give account of the money in your possession.

Members of the National Geographic Society may be interested to know there are 8 000. fellow members in South Africa alone. They welcomed us in every city we visited.

Burefunt Waiters and Januale Drames

Exerywhere we went in Africa we found the strange countrasts and contradictions of a continent in transition. Here air-conditioned botels, model farms, and did telephones const . It y side with jungle drupps, wild elephants. and mi-chievous balments. In excellent new hotel restaurants you are startled to find your meas served by a hatchoot, white-robed whiter wearing a dummerium of armod his warst and a fee on his head—the prevailing waiter's gath from Cape Town to Cairo.

Invariably we were impressed by the work British colonial governments are doing in the rast sections of Africa which lie taylor the British flag. Most of this work in modern times is devoted to improving the status, not of the English settlers but of the Africans; to cradicating disease, improving agriculture, and introducing new industries.

Schools, universities, and haspitals have been built; more are going up. And there is great consciousness that the lang-range objective is to teach Africans to govern themselves,

BY SAMPLL W. MIGHT SIS

National Geographic Magazine Staff

WELVE rules from downt on Washington. D. C., is a farm that breaks all the rules. Cows take heat baths Weeds are planted in greenhouses. Fruit trees are sprayed with ground glass and theeper germs, and cockplaches are taked in jumpered or lonies.

The farm employs 2,000 hired hands—handreds with scientific degrees—yet grows nothing for market. But from such day-by-day activities the American taxpayer reaps bounteous returns. The harvest of the United States Agricultural Research Center at Belts vide, Maryland, is knowledge.

Farm Masic in the Making

Crossbred rows swelter in artificial tropics so that a few years bence dairy bends in hot southern States will give more sals. From greenhouse weed bods come better chemical weed killers for farms and lawns of tom mow

Orchards will be more realstant to blights because Releville indeeds trees with disease through tiny pushes out by flying glass. With supercockroaches, immane to present persons wientists test new chemical killers,

because of Beltsville and experiment stations like it is all 48 States, a revolution is taking place on the American land. The farmer's would has changed more in a simple lifetime than in all the previous centuries man has cultivated the earth

Coday's farmer operates machines, unknown to his grandfieber, that till his fields, fill his silos, mend his fences, and milk his cows. He plants seeds from which grow foods and fibers unheard of in this country a few decades ago the raises streaml tec page that arrive in larger litters and give in the ham and bacon, and sheep with longer, finer wool

Spray Rombs and Midget Turkeys

Agricultural science affects the daily life of us all. What we can tastes better, is more plentiful and more matrificus. Much of what we wear lasts longer and costs less. Life is healthler and safer. Look at a few examples:

The first tests of DDT in this country were made at Beltsville following its discovery in Switzerland. The aerovol spray bomb, aredited with saving thousands of lives in World War II by preventing insect-borne discuses, sprang from the Ingenuity of two Beltsville scientists (page 218). The spectacular weed-killing powers of a chemical named 2.4-(1 were discovered on a mandeline-choked lawn at the Research Center

hew such a hierements bear Reltsville's name. Until "Rel sville turkeys, plump with white ment, began oppearing in stores a few years ago, most city bousewives had never heard of the place.

But through the pages of scientific purpols, wherever men are seeding new horizons in faming, the sprawting experiment station on the outskirts of the Nation's Capital is fast becoming worl l-inmous.

"Many fara ers in my country can tell you where Beltsville is." a foreign visitor told me one day. "The name is as well known to them as any town in the United States."

This was a man who bud traveled 6 000 miles to see the Research Center. An official of the Turkish Muastry of Agriculture, he had come for a six or other nationwide training course under the Point 4 technical assistance program.

On tours arranged by the Departments of State and Agriculture nearly 10,000 visious went to Beltsville in 1952. Farmers arrived from Demark's green corryland and from the golden wheat country of the Dakotas. Agricultural statemts signed in from universities in Greece and Land grant colleges of the Great Plains. County agents came from rural efficacing India and Indiana.

Green Grows "The Combination"

There who cannot go to Belisville telephone or write. In one office I nothed a car be got cart in piled high with papers and pushed order a table

Our filing space gave out," a scientist said.
"There are 10,000 letters in that line, all received in the past three months and all requesting advice about lawn grass."

This same man walked me across a springy curpet of fantastic new turk developed at bestsville. "The Combination," he called it

"It is grass won't lose color in midsummer heat," he said, "It thrives in pour soil without tratering, crowds out weeks and crab grass, and testate takeness and insects. It soo tough that on a golf course it is virtually dreatproof."

Secret of The Combination is a remarkable strain of press that came originally from Normal Its name, Meyer cousia, commemorates a Department of Agriculture plant explored button Normal India, Normal of Agriculture plant explored button Normal after sending home namy strains of the roysia limity.

*ber "A Burner of Pl. 's," by Isaved Fairchild NATIONAL Green exercic Macazine, July, 1919.

Planted with a new pluegrass discovered growing on the Merion field C ub course near Ardin ste, Printsy Asia 4. A few years ago. Meyer soysia forms an almost perfect that by the rigorous standards of the United States

Golf Association (page 210)

Meyer zoysin is not yet available in seed form, but a few enterprising numberymen so t plugs and blocks of Meyer sod, which may be set into an existing luwn. Under good conditions they spread and join in two summers. The new grass has been planted thus in the lawn of the White House,

I paid \$5 for a square foot of Meyer sod from a near-by numery and sawed the green-haired cake into 48 small blocks with a bread knufe.

Fullowing directions, I spaced the blocks a foot apart in a corner of my yard. Cheasionally I watered and femiliard them.

By Lubor Day Jush green tufts marched along the fence in geometric procession. From each tuft new runners spread like spokes.

While the zerols is resplagged into the rest of the lawn, Me, ion bluegrass must be seeded also, Mer in grows best in the road months of spring and fall, whereas the Meyer thrives. in summer's bottest weather. Together they , moviele green conce almost all year.

Uncle Sam-Farmer

Beltsville is the Nation's largest agricultural experiment reater,

Its fields and forests, burnyands and Jahoraturies stretch across 11 000 names of polling

Maryland countryside,

We him the statum, name miles from one god to the other, are 950 baildings. In following the Cepter's 54 m les of roads I found an airprit, a graphry a coalyard, and gleaning neres of greenhouses.

At the Plant Indastry Station, on U.S. Route 1, I tasked with a bottmet about the miracles being achieved there in the breeding

of new hybrid on ps (page 202).

"In any research," he said, "a scientist must ask there questions. How can it be made better? How can it be made cheaper?

Can something new be made?"

Foday American farmers grow an additional three-quarters of a bill on bushels of corn each year by planting hybrid seed. They ruise golden tolugen far swegter, million, and lower in nicotine centent tran the leaf of Sir Walter Raleigh's day, Scientists at Relawille are now producing Faster blies as big as the bell of a trombone, and supplications and carnations half again as large as the usual variety. There are judatoes relected especially for polatu chips

Using well-known laws of genetics, plant breeders now transfer superior truits from one plant to another, much as farmers produce

a mule by breeding lackass and more. The result is increased vigor, prenter yield, and analthur, better a lapted crops

Hybrid corn has many things in common with the male. The off-pring of two nifferent strains outgroduces either parent. Yields jump spectucularly, just as a mude's work diparity is greater than that of either parent

Four Bushels of Corn Reporce Three

The first 40 bushels of nylight seed corn were put on the market in 1922, and a spark was sirek in the Corn Bell. By 1943 mere than built of all U.S. corn grew from hybrid sted. To lay the figure is above 80 percent tur the Nation and virtually 100 percent in the Corn Best

As Dr. Abert H. Meseman, chief of the Plant Industry Russan, put it: "The extra bushed in every four which hybrid carn pave 05 is worth council each year to pay for all the research ever done by the Department of Agriculture."

To learn how closely agrical total research affects the average American, I set out to see how Beltsville is improving the Great American Meal—steak and potatues, tomatoes, apple

pie and threer.

In a paddock at the animal bush owley burns I I would cattle that had never eaten green grass nor had their forebears for five generations. wept on concrete and have earth, they be on precise test rations, Low-quality have grain and cottonseed, haseed, or say bean a milecontrol their vitamin A and protein intake,

"The files," I was teld, "Is to find out whether prevailing notions of raising and fee ling range cattle are valid. We have found several new ways to improve their nutrition."

Thus Beltsville helps ensure the quality and availability of tomorrow's beefsterk."

Science Transforms the Spud

A prilate specialist showed me how science works at believide to give the common spindprincely qualties. In a single year 50,000 hybrid potato seedlings may be grown in greenhouses. From these, becomer may get one new potate variety promising enough to clusten with a name and release to feld stations for further tests.

To breed a disease-re-istant potato, scientists do not begin by planting sections or whole seed potatoes as do farmers. They work from the "fruit" of a potato plant, which many farmers, particularly where growing days are normally hot, never see.

Neither, I learned, had one red-faced radio. commentator. One day at breakfast time he

*See "America's 'Steat on the Hand," by Milliana H. Michulas, National Gaographic Megasies, Janus are, large



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2.4-D in the blood, but the cow was unliverned and the chemical dut not uppear in her make.

The Dr. Lara J. Latin, a Department of Agriculture scientist, since retired, took capsules of pure 2,4-II every day for three weeks. He suffered no ill effects, proving that the new marable spray could be used safely. In 1945 it was released to the public. Some 30,000,000 posteds a year are sold,

fixed newer weed killers are now being tested. I saw selective plant poisons applied to sad from which corn, wheat, and soybean seedlings would grow unharmed, but never a weed. Using such "pre-emergence" soil treatments, farmers may one day my weed killers with fertilizer and watch crops grow in weed-ess fields.

Mystery of the Flowers

For 33 years scientists have known that the changing length of day and night is a basic called photoperiodism. But how it works is still a mystery.

Some plants blessom only in the lengthenng days of spring. Others require more darkmess one Lydget at 11d non-material ways

the nights are becoming longer,

beltsville discovered that darkness, not light, times the miracle of flowering. When the right abortens or lengthens to a certain span, an taknown trigger mechanism tells plants that it is the season to alogana.

Sometimes if a plant's normal night is broken by even a short flash of light, it can be holed into react ug as if there had been two short angles rather than one long the Greenhouse operators already use this principle to withhout the blassoming of chrysan themams and princettin and late in the fall producing it wers tuned to football provide or the Ubriston's boinless.

In a dark hasement laboratory I watched plant physiologists study photoperiodism. At the end of a long harrow to m a minkow suddenly appeared, In a swath of multiculared light stood a line of potted plants. A scientist in short sleeves moved into the light, shorting plants geness the beam (page 212).

"Different wave long ha of light cause plants to behave in deferent ways," the expensionater said. "A few minutes under a certain light band sometimes can start a plant's blossoming process. Given mother type of light,

the same plant will not bloom at all.

"There seems to be a pigment, or set of pigments, in plants which reacts only to a purticular wave length. But how this trigger mechanism ludges flowering we don't know."

Evidence has been found that a photoperiod mechanism also opera es in animals and blods. It tells them when to change the color of far

or feethers, and when the muting wason arrives. A difference of only 20 minutes in ught length has induced smalls in a Beltsville laboratory to begin laying eggs.

Crop Speed-up Fights 15-B Rost

Baltavalle plant breeders vary light and clarkness to force grain plants and venttables into flowering in the middle of winter, producing an exten crop each year.

The time thus saved, by telescoping a couple of growing seasons into one and more quickly finding a resistant variety, could mean the difference between winning or losing a

race against a plant casease.

bland-pressed grain breeders at Beltsville and at conperating State experiment stations are now racing one of the most dangerous new strains of an old disease ever to attack the wheatlands of North America. In 1950 a new stem rust, Race 15-B, suddenly became a grave inchace.

Baltsville has \$3,000 different wheat varieties, gathered from all parts of the world By the end of 1952 every one had been screened for perm plasm resistant to the scource. The tests include sending new strains of wheat to South America, where even more virulent rusts are turing

Plant diseases may be caused by fungi, virus infections, bacteria, or neonal ales,

Nematodes that prey on plants exist in the soil as microscopic wormlike organisms. Some types are beneficial to man, such as those in a 100 k organisms of 150 min, such as those break down animal and vesetable matter in the earth. But others are highly destructive—for example, the golden nematode, dreaded by potato growers.

infesting fields, harmful varieties attack plant roots, sap their strength and vitality,

and leave or us stranger (page 217).

Nepatories are among the hardiest and most numerous living things in the world. In laboratory tests some can survive temperatures appreaching absolute zero, 450 60 degrees below normal zero on the Fahrenbeit state. They have been found in Antarctic moss (ithers have been held dormant up to 39 years, then heated almost to the bedding point Still they survived.

New Crops from the Wild

Yet in recent years basic research at Beltsville and other U. S. nematode aboratories has resolved in commercial development of new so I chemicals able to control these minute enemies of the farmer.

Plant diseases sometimes bring an entirely new farm crop into being. Chestaut trees of the United States ence provided the leather

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industry with ample tannin, the basic chemical used in caring annual notes. But the native chestnuts are gone, when out by a mationwice blight. Even dead chestruit frees. are disappearing into the tanner's but

A wild desert plant called canaligre, which grows across dry wastelands of the Southwest, may take the chestnat's place, scientists told me. In cannigre's thick knowley routs, which look like guarled sweet patatoes, a thin source

of that in has been found.

To enable farmers in dry regions to grow consigne, high-yielding plants are being selected from the wild and chimesticated. In effect, Uncle Sam's plant howeders are doing what the first farmers sturted with corn and wheat perhaps 3,000 years ago—developing a new cultivation appreciate in a few years in-

sterd of thousands,

A wild relative of contou found in the resummand of Artzuna has opened the way for cottag breech is to develop a new threeway hybrid with obers and ke any other cotton. the rown in this country. I saw these Chees testor, at Bertsville; they are 50 to 75 percent stronger than standard upbind varieties of the Uction Belt, and 20 percent stronger than figyptian long-staple cotton.

Plants Travel the World

Today there are few dimesticated plants anywhere in the world that have not been tested in this country for their agricultural possibilities, a Belt-ville official teld me. Explaners still search the globe for wirl strains whose germ plasm might improve corps here at home. But most traffic is the other way.

"Newadays," the sciently said, "Uncle Sam sends 10 plants abroad, to be planted by farmers in other countries for every one we

find overseas and bring hyme."

The amazing power of the drug cartisane against the amateid arthritis has sparked a world-wide search for a plant from which the medicine might be made. So far, cortisone has been made for commercial use from an acid found in the bir of culte, a surfac fit too limited for the demand. But plant material may soon be used.

At the Glenn Dale, Maryland, U.S. Plant Introduction Garden near Beltsville, exoric Pines and other leafy immigrants from Africa, Mexico, and South America erow in long greenhouses painted white to shield plants

from the fall summer sin.

"Chemists now get cortisone from materials found in many plants," my guide explained. "Our problem is in find one communically profitable for farmers to grow "

Sopheans were virtually anknown in this r thatiy' until plant explorers brought new strains from the Orient. Now grown on

15 mallon acres in the United States, they yield veceable and industrial oils, animal feeds, flour, plastics, and even the form used

an lighting chemical fires.

Korean lespedeza, introduced in 1919, ranks as a multimidion-duliar forage crop across the south-central farm region of the Nation Lactino clover from Italy, crested wheat grass from Scherul, curum wheats from southern Russla timported years ago before the from Curtain shut off exchange of plants with Soviet lands), tang pats, avocados—the list of valuable gifts which far-traveling American plant explorers have brought to this country is . lumes em less,*

Agriculture is built on guess. The great for d crops of the world are grass—com, wheat, rice, miliet, barley, outs, sugar cane. Gaiss means also the vast variety of meadow and pasture crops which sustain grazing animals.

Dairy Research Pays Dividends

In a scrubbed, clean-smelling call harn I was initiated into Beltsville's duity research.

"Our must valuable possess on is not what we put down in scientific reports," a cattle breeder told me, "but what we have in a r heros,"

For 33 years a prize herd of Holsteins and ferroys has been built, using seven generations of bulls with proved ability to transmit highmilking potential. From the experiment have come new standar is for choosing dairy sites. Today's nationwide artificial breeding programs are based largely upon the proved-sire principle.

Crossbrewding of dairy entile began at Beltsville in 1939, in the wake of the spectacular success stories of hybrid corn, swine, and poultry. To many dairy farmers, proug of their pedigreed herds, crossbreeding a cowstill seems like rank heresy. But Beltsville's crossbreeding has produced amazing results, measured in higher milk yields and hybrid Tick to

thing-shountered carrie are common on the tatge, but not in U.S. dairy barns. At Beltville, bewever, I found a hull of a foreign milking breed that may well revolutionise southern dairying. Housed near a hoge Holstein, he seemed almost a modget. But his burnished red black coat and bigh, skin-felded himp marked him as a true aristocrat far from home—a zehu bull, prance of the sacred. entitle of Imila f

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Scientists Follow California Grapes from Vine to Market

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I saw one twin that was big and bandsome, while his brother was a screwny runt. The first had been fed a full ration, while the other received only enough to stay alive.

After we months the second calf is full fed. Schnisse then measure how north time and teed it takes to bring the animal up to weight

Streamlined pigs grow in Beltsville swine burns. Seven new strains have been developed there by selective breesling through the past 18 years.

Six of the new strains are based upon crosses with the Danish Lundrace breed, Flach is longer, leaver and more meaty than the American hog of old, yielding less unwanted land and more pook, ham, and bacon,

Breeders have even produced ratk-semical sows that won't surface. Their appetites stay keen and their weight up, even in the hotest surmer sun

In the harm hogs may eat as much as they want, 24 hours a day. Contrary to the cliche that condenns "enting like a pig," scientists and that the hog never overcals.

Tailor-mineing Relievable's Turkey

deligate is perhaps test known for its understand furker beel to answer housewives' demands for a bard that would fit today's apartment-size refrigerators, small areas and small familles (page 209).

The compactness of the Beltsville Small White tackey is the secret of its successablenced it grows to little more than half the weight of large grablers, its breast is broad and heavily fleshed, and the dramsticks are light short and plump. Its quick-maturing qualities and good breeding record make it popular with growers.

The inside of an egg is of top importance to positrymen. Detoires of positred eggs want a thick white to cover the volk uniformly. But if the housewife fords a blood the shies like a frightened horse.

Lgg candling is still done by desterous packers who twirl each eng in front of a powerful light. At itself-wake I saw a new electropic candles, still under development. High-intensity filtered light is shot through the egg. If a blood spot is present, an electric eye "sees" it, and the offending egg is discretical.

Another tireless machine developed here in 1952 automatically separates eggs by the stightest variation in the color of their shells—from pure white through various shades of his win (page 2011).

The machine got confused only when engineers can through a few light idue eags of the Aramana chicken of Chile. The eags were

whisked into the light-latewer leasket—pot a serious mestake, since thickens which lay naturally colored Easter ages are a treeders' rarity in this country."

A Secret of Growth from Chicken Feed

In long, how poultry houses at Bultsville ultraviolet lights burn all night. Installed or zionally for their germ killing power, the dint line takes were soon found to be housting engineer uction. Scientists still aren't sure why. This ultraviolet "prodding" is distinct from the eng-laying sumulus of ordinary incondescent light, a technique long fam har to poultrymen.

Researchers know by recent experience that starting discoveries sometimes come from such small chaes. A few years ago the hunt for a letter chicken free, put scientists on the trail of a new vitinian with amazing power to promote growth.

During World War II, animal-protein feeds such as fish meal or slaughterhouse scraps became scarce. Soylean-oil meal, tich in protein, was substituted on poultry farms. It trade a nourishing feed, but something was missing. If no animal protein was present, the batchability of eggs dropped, and chickens grew too slowly.

Because the first stomach of a cow is known to manufacture vitamins, experimenters added a little dried or w manufer to the feed. Suddenly birds thrived. Chemists found a growth factor in the manufe, but it was none of the known vitamins.

At that point a pharmacer treal firm, Merck & Co., atmospheri its discovery of vitamin B-12. The ruby-red crystals could greatly stimulate growth, it reported. Beltsville track B-12 on chickens, and it was found to be the missing factor.

As little as 18 billiambs of an ounce of H-12, imported into the fertile egg of a benfed a diet deficient in the vitamin, produces astonishing results in newly hotabed claiks. At the age of five weeks they are matrly twice the size of frother and a ster chicks batched from untreated eggs.

Barrling Animal Ailmonts

Africe recently, researchers in many laborateries discovered that some of the minuteworking ant biotics stimulate animal and poulity growth. Today auremaycin, peramycla, and penicillin are being wided to feeds in minute quantities. Baby chicks and young pigs grow faster and fatter on such wonderdrug feeds

An early task of the Department of Agri-

* See * Easter Lee Chickens," by Frederick (), Vosaufigh, National Georgeone Macazine, September, 112. culture was to fight livestock diseases, many of which readd be transmitted to main. At Beltsville's Animal Disease Station, on a billtop tinger, by a high lence, the worst plagues known to American lamps are studied

Bracellusis, for one, causes the less of some 325,000 calves and a fullion pounds of notk each year. In human beings the illness is known as undulin't fever.

Ring Test Spate Bang's Disease

At the disease station I watched a technician make the milk-ring test, most widely used procedure on whole palk for detecting bracellosis, also called Bang's disease. In about two hours a purple ring formed at the top of the test rule, showing the milk had come from pattle inferted with the disease With this simple test receiving depots can cheek drivy here's by taking samples from caps of Just corolined milk. If the test is positive, likeoi-sa upling the herd isolates the diseased com.

In another laboratory vaccines were being prepared and tested. There is no known oute for Hang's disease but immunication of call b with such vaccines as Bellsville's Strain 19

Is helping to stamp it out

Helisville's I'm ingual Division battles the multitude of parasites that prey on animals protozou, nemujodes, tupeworus, ace. From work done there 15 years ago dust onthe a sevenlationary drug named phenothiasine. First tested as an insectivide, it is now so widely uthized to control internal parasites of farm animals that from relien pounds of it are used annually in the United States.

Man appeared to have raised a voctory over insert pests when DDT hurst like an atomic beach in the insect world. But the enemies did not give up. To lay there are flies, mosquitoes, and cockpondies that laugh at doses of DDT and other new insectionles which

once would have meant their ceath.

New Wespons for Farm Warfare

Men who study insect immority at Melisville say it is not merely a matter of the surylval of the littest, with each new generation resulting in these of greater resistance. They are certain that some basic physic organic change or unitation takes place in insects, making them immune to once deady doses.

Against such acquired burd pess newer and more patent insecticibles have Julbed man's

buttle to protect his food and fiber.

I wan hed a worker in a gar mask applying quanthion to a field of strawbernes at Heltsville. Rehind a bright-red tractor white dust dig war like a smake screen

Users of the new phospherus sprays and dusts such as parath on most wear gas misks and protective clothing under huzard of iditesor death. These poisons, beneficial by products of World War II research in Germany, are closely related to the so-called "morre BRACK, IV

' We use live inserts incide glass tanks to test breathing filters," said a scientist who designs and thecks protective masks. * Otten its the only way to detect extremely small

anyounts of poison in the air."

Other new insectscides, safer for the arbornes and gardens, are coming from the taville. Chie is a sidestance similar in chemical properties to the active ingredients of the pyrethrum Josef, among man's oxiest insect believe and still one of the most effective. Allethrin, the man-smale product, is now on the market.

China Sends Its "Thumder God"

Then newer is a family of potent insect poisons isdated at Beltsville from roots of China's "Thumler God" vine, Terptreygium asitfordii Hook, They knock out test colonnes of agricultural posts at a strength of only one point to 2,000 gathers of spray solution. Thander God is already being grown at the Gieno Dale Introduction Garden; it may be another U.S. crep of tomerrow.

In Bestsville's greenhouses I saw plants that can bite back at insects. So-called "systemic insectacides, 'the powest weapon of entimolouists, are absorbed from the soll into the sap stream. Tiny sucking inserts attacking such plants are possimed by the very leaves

on which they feed.

Flowers, emaniental shrubs, and cotton plants have been made largely insect-proof with these new compatings. So far, because there systemic positive literal down slowly.

they cannot be used on food arrips.

Arkaltural science does not stop at the regard gate; research reaches grocers' shelves through study of better transportation. storage, and marketing methods. It touches our daily meals, our clothes in the closet, the refrigerator and washing muchine, even the sorp used in the washing machine.

Nutrition scientists study long-term effects of various thets on bealth by feering different locals to rats. They cupy cute human digration in test takes and landers to leave how

the body at likes proteins.

At Beltsville are the chief Government laboratories studying textiles and cluthing, foods, cookery, and home canning. Housing

specialists design better farmbouses.

Bultsville experts ride produce trains from ocean to ocean across the Ut ited States, checking how fruits and vegetables respond to various methods of protection and packing as they travel through the bitter cold of a Dakata weres a charmoning two tooks for a sum the insert

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Landing by Plane on a Glace, Chinters Ploncer, Western Approach to North America's Loftiest Peak

By BRADFORD WASHBURN

With Illustrations from Photographs by the Author

OF ILP television of the life by Terris Moore above the sputtering of the airplane's idling ergine. I not led, "Okay, here we go!" (hir intertwo-weated single-regime craft started bumping down the gravel runway of the amport at Carlatna Lake, 100 miles northwest of Anchorage, Alaska

In another moment we were off on an aiventure which already had my heart pounding with mixed feelings of excitement and, I must adout, a certain amount of apprenension.

Ahead of us, though thristole is a blanket of fog, towered the 20,300-fort snow-expired none of mighty Mount McKinkey, loftiest peak in North America.

McKinley was named in 1800 for the Republican presidential nominee of that year by W. A. Dickey, who was prospecting in the vicinity. Lang before, the Aleskan antives had railed it, more appropriately, Densii, the Great One It had been climbed only six times before our 1951 assault.

Mountain Climbing by Airplane

We were going to try what time after tine had been declared impossible—to clarib Ma-Kinky's regged West Buttees (page 1 at). Minne exciting still, we were print to try to the at least a third of the clamb by amplane

To accompaish this, Terry Moore would have to land his tiny plane on the unexplored surface of Kubiltra Glacier. This hage ite river ar thes down McKinley's shipes between

rock cliffs thousands of feet high.

Our expedition had a threefold purpose: first, to test my theory that McKintey's West Buttress actually oftered a shorter, safer way to the top than the usual route up the routhcast side; second, to study the goolegy of this tremendars mass of mak; and third, to do essential survey work for a new large-scale map of the area immediately ground Mount Mckluley. Part of this map is published for the first time in this issue of the Namonal. GEODRAPHIC MAGAZINE (pages 236-237).

Our undertaking was sponsored by the University of Denyer, the University of Alaska,

and Boston's Massam of Science

Mckinley's distinction as our continuous highest mountain above would justify asset a a map of it. In acciton, it is the main feature of Mount McKinley National Park, which is

attracting increasing numbers of visitors now that the famous Alaska Highway has made the cut ofry access life by automobile.

Important, too, is the fact that McKinley's Leight and position, only 250 miles south of the Arctle Circle, make it an ideal laboratory for many kinds of scientific research.

Arctic Equipment Tested Here

Duting World War II three mliltary expeditions used us high slopes to test clothing equipment, and food for troops and plane crows operating in extremely cold climates.

McKinley's heights also provide a Lokout for observing cosmic rays, which constantly bombard the earth from outer space.f

It farnishes a fine exportinity for weather observations, tests of the effect of a decrease in oxygen on the human body, and high-frequency radio research.

It was to make this great hatural laboratory. caster to reach that we were steking a better route to the top of McKir ley and preparing a detailed map of its slopes and glaciers.

herry. Mixate, when was going to try to land the on Kahilma Glacier, is not only an experienced bush pilot but was also resident of the University of Alaska (he retired this summer) If we could land successivity, he was to leave ore there with a small relio, camped on a smooth snow plateau. After this it should not prove too difficult to dy in to the glacier camp my first three companions, I'm. Henry Buchtel, James E. Gale, and Capt. William D. Hackett. With the radio I could tell them before they even took off what the weather was the at my end of the line.

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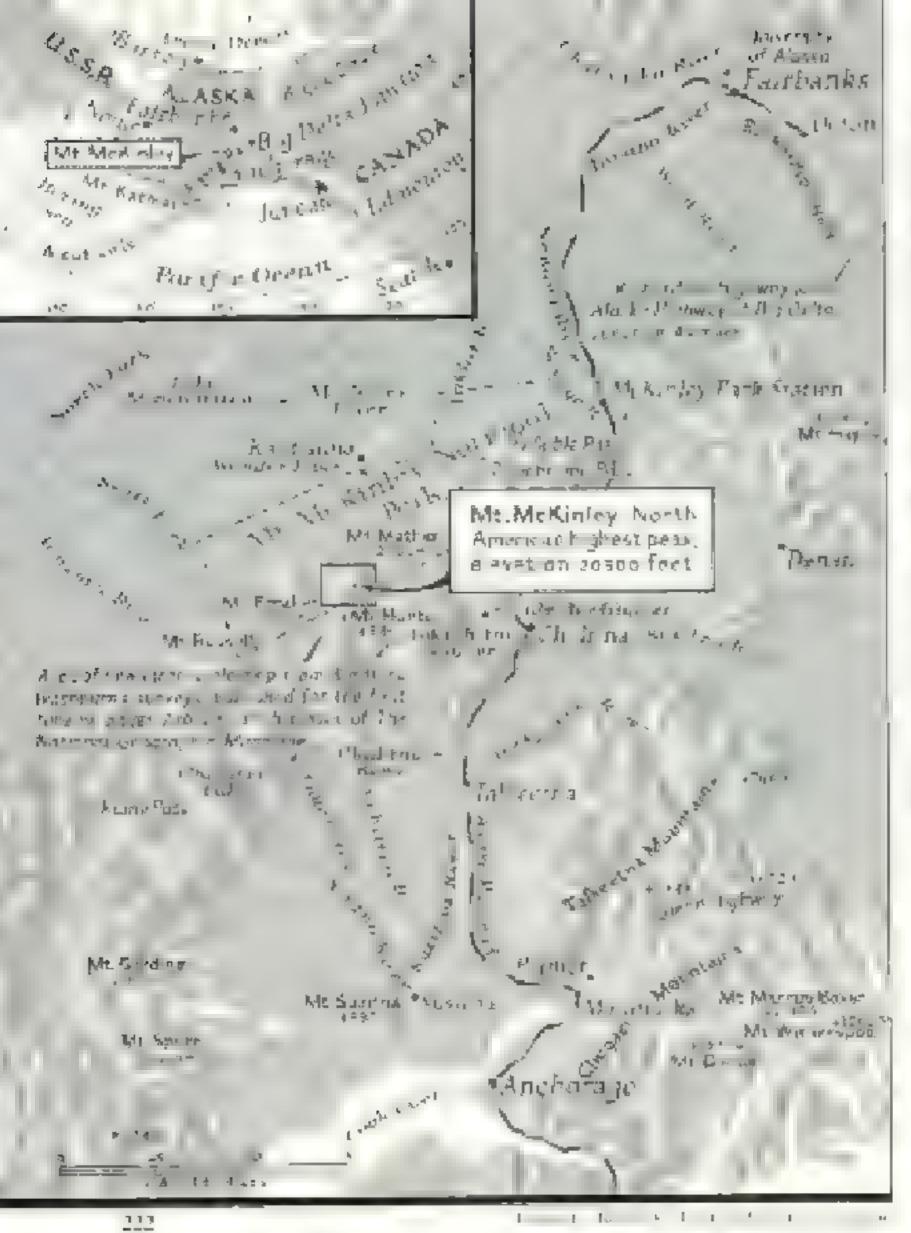
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Among National Parks Only Yellowstone Is Larger than Mckinley

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he gasoline and our only source of water and effort that in taste that drinking it is a real effort.

Need More Liquids on Heights.

At high altitudes clambers must double of triple their brake of fluid to offset the dehydration that results from weathing deeply the extremely dry nin. The need for liquids grow constantly more pressing the higher we clambed. We carried powdered fruit price to disselve in our water to make it more published, and also drauk large quantities of frozen from junce drapped later by plane.

After a bite to eat and some but tea, I turned of the stove to save gasoline, even though the temperature was only 10° F. As

its rear died. I was instantly greeted by the gentle patter of snowflakes on the tent. In the total silence of the beights even feathery spr wlakes make a perceptable sound failing on tent roofs. Poking my head out the drawstring cotrance, I was astonished to see the meky cliffs of McKinley quite clearly, with Kahilina Valley visible development for at least five miles. The sun had disappeared behind the clinds, but the long twilight of the Alaskan summer still lingered.

I busted myself marking our little without with all available dark onjects. This is essentid for landing a plane on snow when there is no sun, no shadow, and the visibility is poor. Otherwise, everything appears an even, shapeless white, All depth percept on is 160, and as a pil it nears the ground be has nothing with which to gauge his licight.

As the weather slowly cleared, I heard Terry (antly on my radio, talking in the thivernment station at Talketta, some 60 miles to the southeast: "This is N-1055-A." he was saying. "My position is now five rates porth of Cheltan Lake, heading

for camp on upper Kahiltna Glacies."

At 8:45 Terry's voice becomed out baid and clear; "N-1088-A to KN 054. Can you see or hear me? I'm ffying through drazding mow about five miles below your camp." He was on his way back with Henry Inchtel.

I crawled out the door and looked downglader behind the tent. There he was, I could barely hear the plane's fecule little hum I reported. 'Landing conditions marginal celling \$00-500 feet, absolutely caim. I've marked a runway,"

Two minutes later the little craft reared over camp and come to a perfect kenning.

This time the sky booked as if it were really going to show in earnest. We talkeded Henry's gear in a jiffy, and with a cheery



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Surveying in the Snow

one Squadron of the Alaskan Air Command in Anchorage fel, them, we said, that our weather was perfect for the preservinged aerial crop of the ecosponent we had left with them

bugs, it seement, when a distant hum awakened on It was 6:30 in the morning, the sun was high in the close less sky, and there, down the valley, was the approaching Air Force plane.

Juntamed on the tadas and at once picked up a voice: "Air Rescae to k3\034... Calling camp on Kahiltna Glacier... Are you reading our signals."

"KW 054 to Air Rescue," he replied, "We're

readit g you build and clear."

duck came the voice from the plane: "We'll be over you in about two minutes. Give us a call after we have faished the first drop and report how we did."

Supplies Hit Wrong Target

As the hig C-47 reared flown or by 200 feet above us, the pilot semehow missed the reduled notice higher that sealised with wadden horror that hundles and buxes fixing out the open careo door were streaking directly for our lent? They abovesed around it, one making a deep contextes than five feet from the tent in which Jan Cible was talking on the rad to 11 was los own lag of personal equipment.

This near tragedy was ever so quickly we scarcely realized what had happened. As the lane disappeared over the pass, Jim was yelling late the radio, 'Fley, for heaven's sake, watch where you're throwing that stell' lanw it at the marker, not the tent'

"Mushty sorry, fellows," came the reply as the plane challed beyond the pass and dew back forward us. "We see the marker now, It

wins't happen again'

This time supplies came thudding down at a sate distincer tent poles, survey markets, a fresh king salmon, nylon rope, tent page, larch-wand trail markets, oxtra obthes, tents, and sleeping bags. Then came five backs of breakable supplies by parachate radio batteries, thin, an alarm rlock, store, gasoline survey gear, group a small plewood sled

It had been a breath-taking halt-hour. We had not yet had freakfast, but more than a ton of supplies had arready been delivered at our front doorstep from a warehouse 130 miles away. In the old days i, would have taken a 20-horse pack train and three wranglers weeks to move this load from Anchorage to the lower end of the Kabiltan Claciet, 44 miles below the camp. I from there to where we sat if would have been such a productus job camp k packing to move these same supplies that we shuddened even at the thought.

Included in the equipment doupped to us.

were 500 pounds of Biraseye frozen foods, which we promptly bursed in a natural deap-freeze cave just outside our front door. Forty-eight loaves of breat, each packed in a paper bag, rained down all over our "laws"; they too were bursed and trown. We took burses to bed with us when we wanted to that them out. On the trail we often carried out I cans of freezen ment inside our cluthing to that them for lanch.

Futs Indizestible at Akitude

Our diet was strong to protein, which we got from lean frozen handourg and hand. As ample supply of fresh regetables and from betper us forget the almost total lack of fat in our diet at the highest camps. This was important to our efficiency on the mount on far decrease in oxygen above 15,000 feet causes great difficulty in digesting fats.

Members of the Parket-Roome expedition of 1913, not realizing this, took quantities of permission, rich in energy but also very fatty. This dart caused turn so hear to distress a sove 15,000 feet that they could scarcely eat, lest strength, and unhappily had to turn book in a reavy sterm only a few handred feet.

from Mr Kinley's top.

I few days after the supply drop we all set out to scale previously unclimbed "Peak Z." a snow dome that rose southwest of tamp. It was an easy climb up a rounded ridge buried under hundreds of feet of perpenul few and snow. On top we built an issue a few yards from our survey instrument so we out d'dodge in for shelter and a cup of hot tea when our ingets grew too cold to wick the theodolite (page 227). Meanwhile, however it grew absurd y warm, 40° F. in the sam, and we actually worked in our shirt sleeves

Jety Play Hide-and-Seek

As we branch ourselves reading angles on the instrument. I heard a curlous awarshing sound for off poward Mount McKinley. Above the tip of the great peak several thay silver thes were playing hide-and-seek against the deep-like sky. Then another appeared, and another and greather, till we counted 10 little speaks. They were jet lighter planes from Anchorage taking afternoon exercise above the memorial of North America (page 240),

As we stood watching this extra infinity show, I was reminded of John Gillespie Magee, Jr.'s inspiring poem, Migh Elight:

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I've topped the wind-swent heights with a my grant
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I'wo of the planes left the others and dived

toward us at terrific speed. I took out a pecket mirror and theshed at as tray swept by a mile or tan acts. On a self-such as he passed between the same and us. He would led his wines sughtly, then headed away for a number, appropriately talking to his companion by rautio.

Plance Buzz Camp at 600 Miles an Hour

Chinking almost out of sight, they turned lazily and headed back. Approaching at a stangering speed—probably 600 nules an lung or more—they screamed over us scarcely 100 test above our heads. We could clearly see the palots waving.

Fire y a minute later they had regented their cointains, seven miles away and pure than 8 000 feet above us. That chordess mante's clamb was soon to take us seven does and

rights of nearly constant tool.

As the afternoon wore on, I kak thanderheads over the lowlands to the north began to rumble unin asky, and we saw gray streamers of rain pouring a two beneath them into the darkened valleys below. A breeze broke the stillness, and, our survey done, we bestated in front of the igloo, worried less the storm eatch us during our descent

The breeze grew to a wind, the wind to a gale, and then the storm hit us with terrific violence. We were far above the lightning and rain, but the crest of the tarbulent mass of cloud thing a furious blissard at us. We retreated into our iglos and at the very height of the howling tempest enjoyed a tranquil

stierneen tea.

An ighor is a wonderful shelter. It's cool as she is on a sunny day; warm, cozy, and que the winds Constant flapping of our tents at might on previous trips had caused us to lose many hours of much needed sleep

For an hour and a buff the 11 exact buffeted our retreat. Then as statienty as it came, the great cloud deatest peacefully off, the san burst out, and the wind died down to a gentle

PRESENT.

Quiet Beauty Follows Blizzard

As we started homeward, the fresh snow abtreted all about us. Evening shadows reached across the western buttresses. To our left the emerald lowlands twinkled with myriad tory lakes and streams reflecting the low rays of the sont, In the distance we could bear occasionally the rumple of avalanches.

At base camp we spent several days in survey work for the new map of McKinley. This map began to take shape in 1945 during World War II, while I was a member of an Army Air Forces expedition on some of the

waks near McKiniey. There we tested emetgency to al, shelter, and cleaning for use in the Arctic. To help pass the time, we had out supply plane drop as a surveyor's transit to measure the angles between a number of pemis and to determine locations and heights of many unmapped peace

Two years later, in 1947, R&O Radio Fictures, inc., aske I Buston's Museum of Science to help abtain motion platures of mountain scenery at buch altitudes on Maant McKinley for use in a 6 otherming film. At the same time they agreed to support our survey program and other scientific work there

In cooperation with us, an Air Force B-29 made vertical mapping photograpus of the entire area from 32,300 feet, while we uid ground survey work on McKinley's upper

slopes to tie the pictures together. The U.S. Coast and Georietic Survey lent us two power-

ful Zeess the idolites.

Surveying (a m. McKinley's North and South Peaks had been no joke. On the South Peak it was 20° below zero. Often a gust of wind bumped my face against the theodolite cycpicce. Then I had to carry out the observation all over again after making sure the instrument had not been thrown out of level and position.

Surveying on Brink of Disaster

The North Peak culminated in a parrow point of snow where there was burely room to clear aware a level triangle three feet on a side to set up the therebilite. One careless step would have plunged me down the frightening Wakersham Wall, 14,000 feet high.

In actial mapping, two pictures of the same area are taken a few seconds apart. Viewed through a stereoscope, they appear as one, in three dimensions, with slopes, heights, and depths so vividly evident that accurate contour lines can be drawn directly from the

photographs,

Using all available data to fix positions and altitudes, and stereoscopic pictures for topography, the U.S. Geological Survey mapping office at Denver, Cokurado, produced a map on a scale of 3.9 miles to the irch. The data to be obtained by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey and a new Museum of Science party during 1933, with that pathered during our 1951 climb, will provide information for several milesto-the-inch quadrangle maps. Some of this mapping has already been dune, and about 120 square miles of the central partion are shown on the map accompanying this article (pages 236-237).

No complete large-scale map of Mount Mckluley has ever been made before.

On the evening of June 30, while we were returning from a reconnaissance of McKinley's



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Letter from Boston Only 3 Days Old

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As it turned out it was safe enough Jerry to have landed here instead of lower or la ... a the first place But, not having i i let a find conditions at the pass we dayspel It the

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Food sorted, survey work completed, and party remitted, we focused our attention on Mount McKinley The route Ly which we intended to breach its western larrierturies just behind our cam-

We had carefully planned it to avoid begureviews and avalanches the lan major dan gers of the oblitiouts up the claim a leaf that mountain. At first we followed the bottom of a broad boltom titled with hundreds of feet of drifted, wind-packed snow. When a big crovasse began to block our way, we climbed snarp slopes to the crest of the ridge which paralleled our mute to the left.

Actually we can contened only two crevasses, small in comparison to those on the nertheast approach. Above, the grade was not steep, but in one place we struck a patch of bluegreen ice as slippery as an inclined skating rink, and had to take off our snowshoes and strap on iron creepers, or trampobs.

Three thousand feet above camp these some undrice slopes earled accuptly in a massive greatite shoulder that rose with dramatic steepness 3,000 more feet to the 16,000-foot crest of McKinley's great West Buttress.

Here, in the very shadow of the claff, we set up our first advanced camp. We had reconnoftered this route and marked it with birth woods states in the snow several days before. The entire 8-man party tackled it for the first time with 60- to 90-p and packs on the Faurth of July.

A Night at "Windy Corner"

is we struggled up to our camp site late that afternoon, the wind besed through the granite ledges at our feet. The sky was gray with lowering mist. A sea of clouds fided the valleys below, and snowtakes were already beginning to fall. That might free of us stayed at "Windy Corner," as we called it.

Mel. Barry, and Jerry relations to base compasser hauling up three loads of equipment. For the next week they would continue Mel's gen-logic exploration several thousand feet heles us, atmost the base of the upper peak.

Camp was set on the snow about 100 feet from the rocky grest of Windy Corner so we could find snow blocks for building an Igloo and a windbreak wall to protect our cook test. We built a long tunnel entrance on the leeside of the igloo to help keep out the wind.

There is no real sheller anywhere on the west side of McKinley. The big storms are almost always southwesters, which originate out toward the tip of the Aleutian Islands and strike the peak with tremendous violence. This route has one advantage, however: buffeting winds were at our backs instead of cutting our faces, as they do on the northeast side.

After a cury, peaceful night in our Isloo, where our body heat and breathing kept the uside temperature up beatly to freezing, we had a real job draging our way out to breakfast. The entrance to our tunnel was drifted in solid with fresh snow.

From our vaug and calm shelter we emerged into a roaning storm, with 60-miles per-hour gusts, dense fog, and a wild blizzard. It took an

bour to excavate the half loried cork tent, retighten the guy rupes, and get buside.

As John Ambier crawbel into the tent, his beard white with frost and ick les, he sate with some disgust, "This kind of climbing is about 40 percent trying to stay about warm, and only 10 percent climbing!"

Gale Rows 80 Miles on Hour

A storm of increasing violence lashed campall that day. We ventured out in relays during the afternoon and hadt another iglor, connecting it to the first one by a swill doorway. By supportions the gusts were had ting 80 inflet an hadr (measured by anemometer), and the temperature was down to 14° above zero. Snow fell so thickly we could not see a thing. Luckily, it was blowing so hard the snow could not accumulate. It simply whirled off out of sight into the valley over the 2,000-loot cliff in front of camp

On July 6 the wind died down and the skirs cleared rapidly. This day and the next we carried a week's supplies up to 14,000 feet, along a bread, gently sloping snow shelf at the side of the cliffs

Climbing higher, we tied knotted repe around out snowshoes to keep us from slipping backward on the steepening slope. Him and I started ahead of the others and rapidly get into trouble. Here the sunw from the recent storm lay drafted deep all up the hillside.

At hist we made fair beadway with our offpour digracks, but then we began to slide backward several backes at every step. I took off my spowshoes and promptly broke through the crast up to my waist. I put them on again, tack the shovel out of my pack, and started curving large flat steps shead of us.

Then, at 15,000 feet, the slope steepened again and the surface snow was crusted just chough so that snowshoes would not hold on it. The spot where we wanted to make our rext camp was still 1,000 feet above.

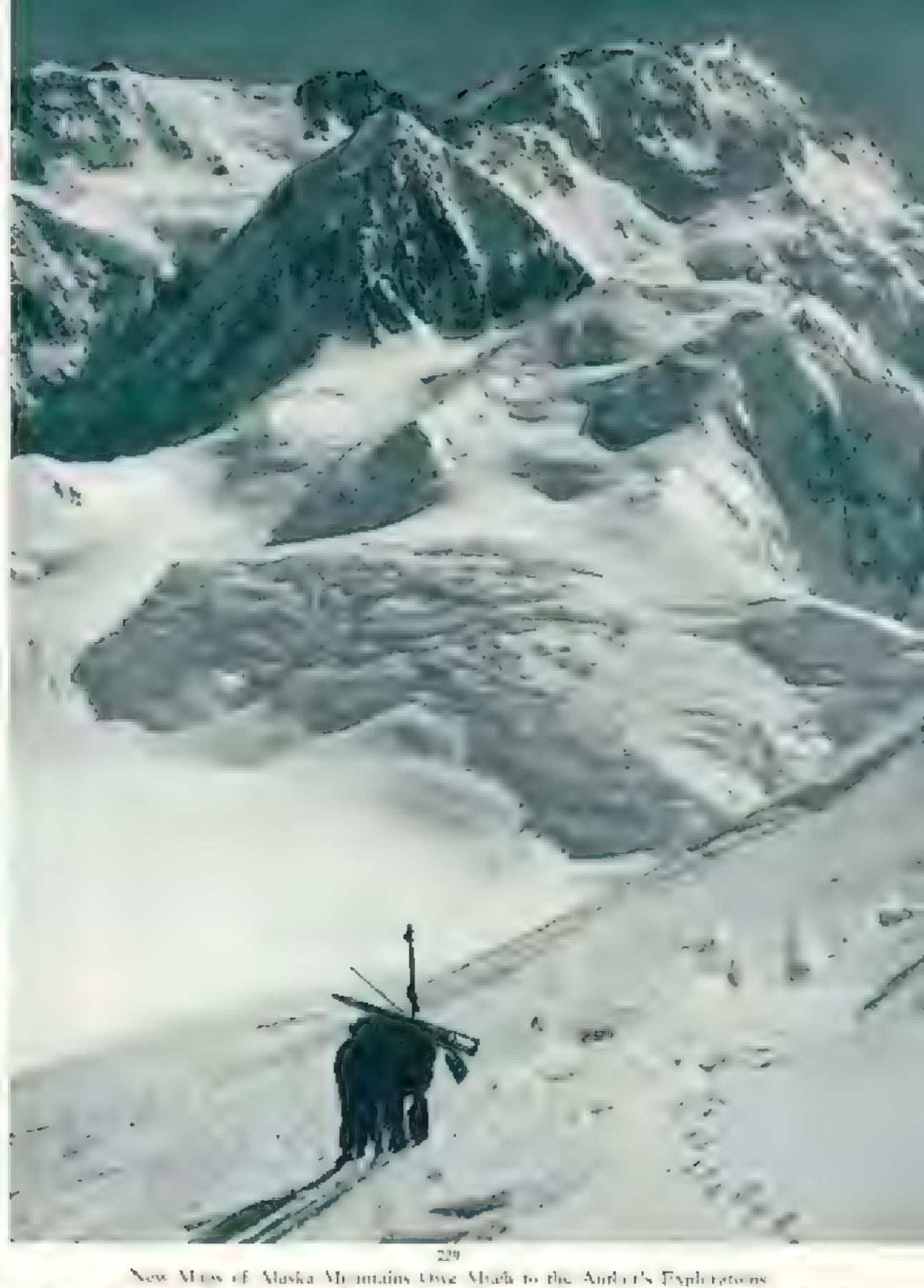
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We had only two choices: wait two or three clays until wind and cold hardened the slope on we could walk on it without snowshoes, or shovel a frail up the mountainside to an ice shelf also t 400 feet above. Our time was running short, and, also, it might snow again We three to shove!

When I got so tired I couldn't lift matther shovelful, Jim took a turn at it. After an hour's work I looked back at my pack; it was only 100 feet behind us

in another hour conditions began to improve. After that gracking uph II struggle we walked an I slid back to our packs in about three easy minutes. We reached the 15,400-

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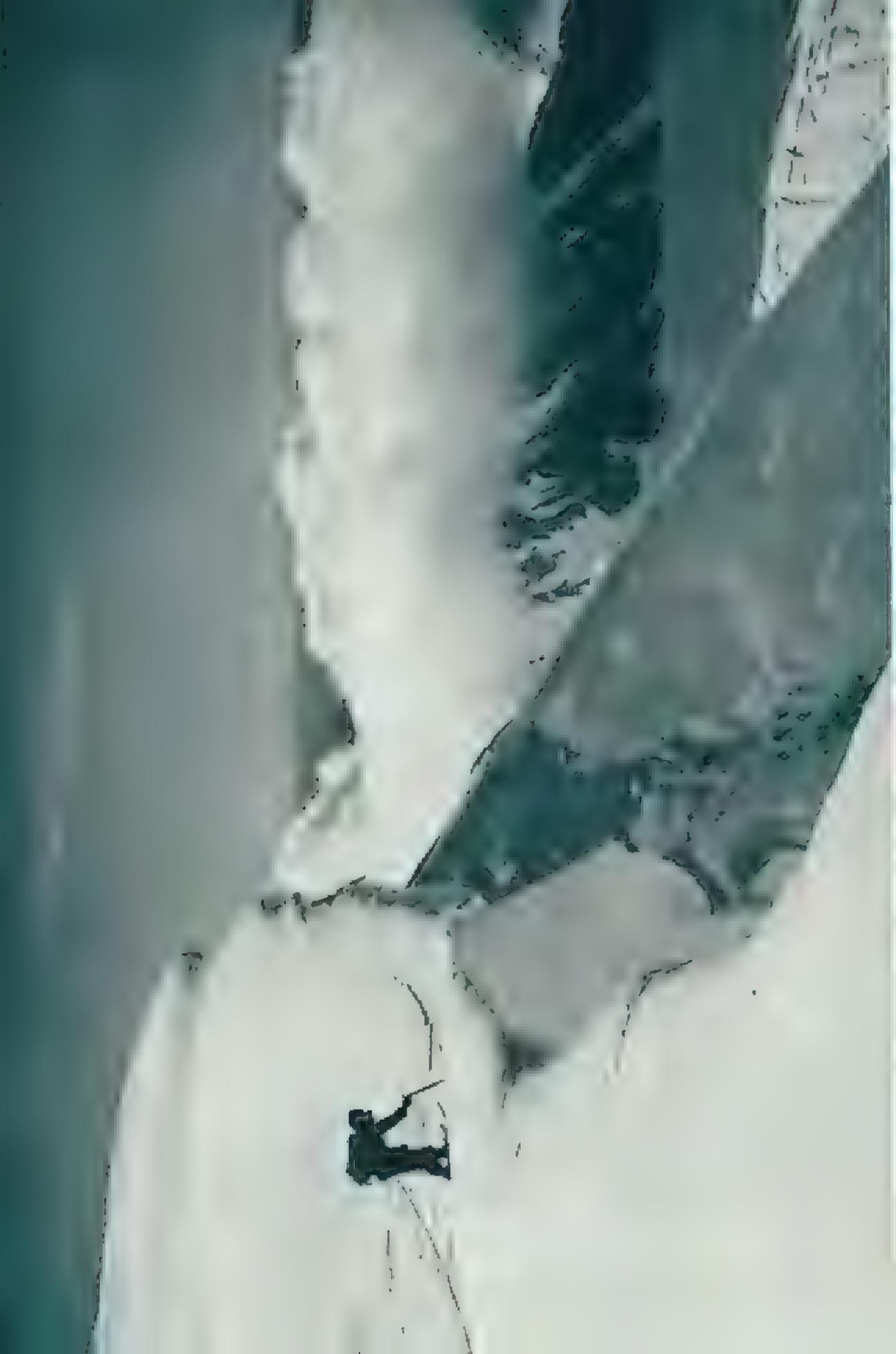
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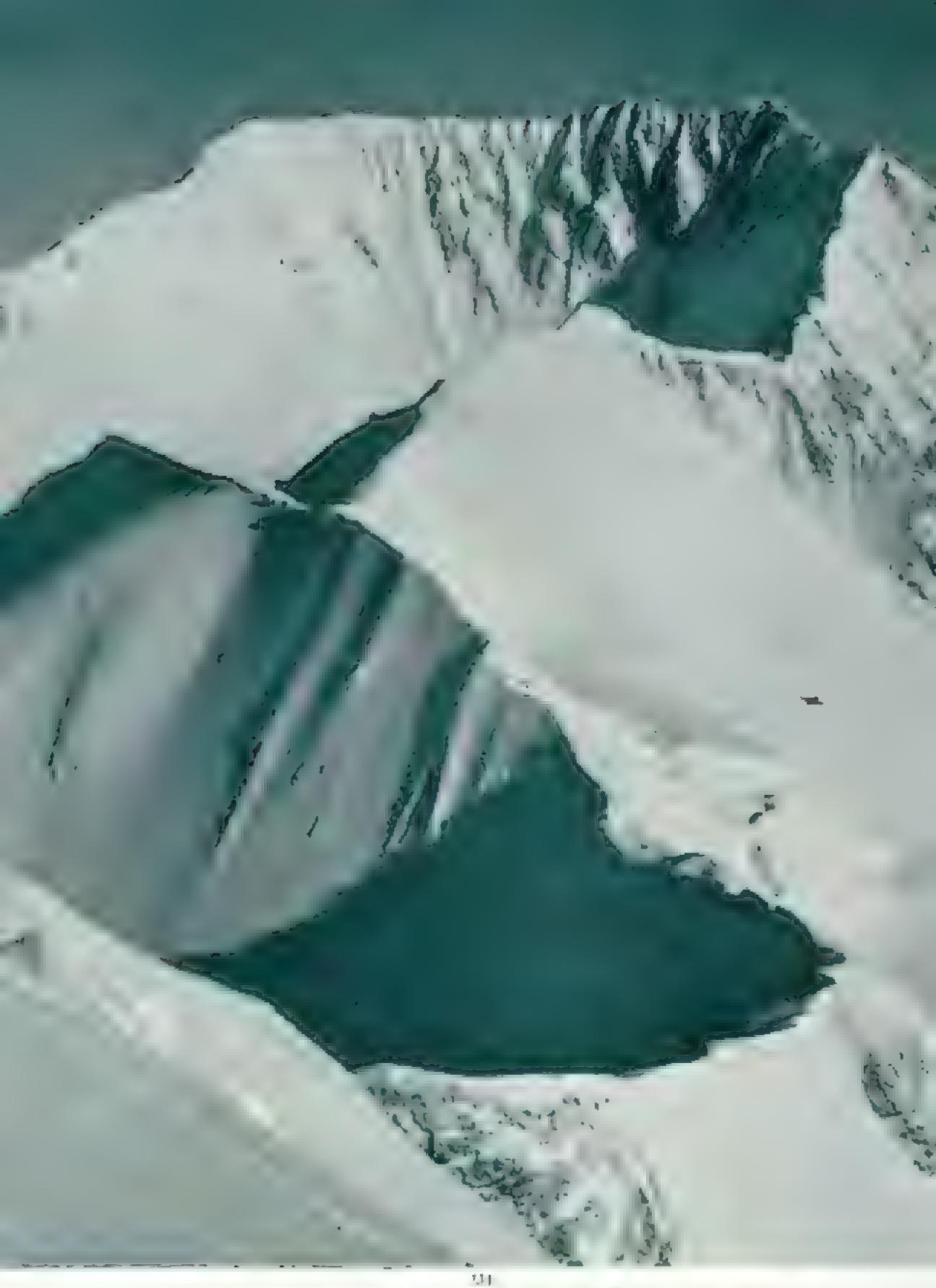
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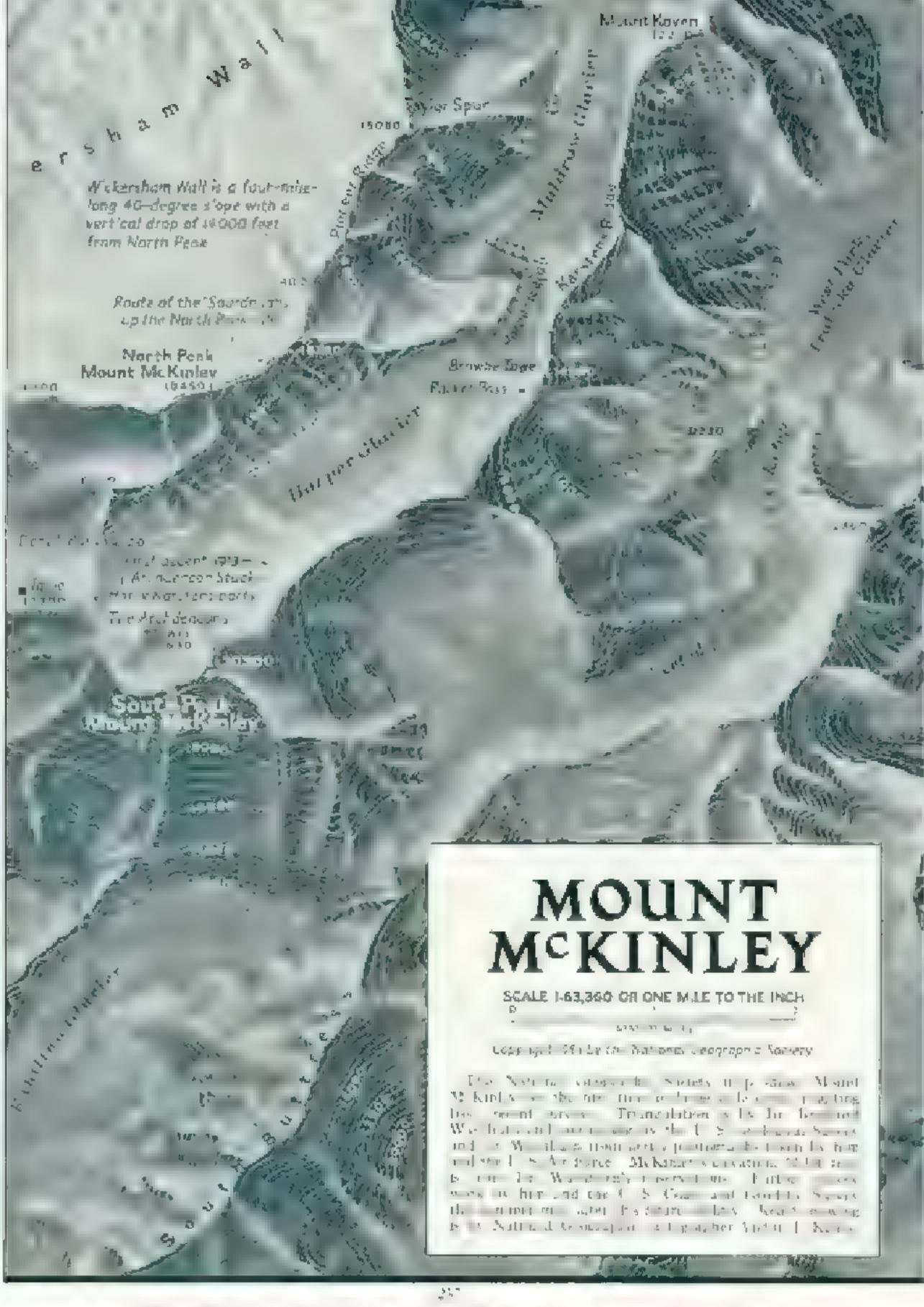
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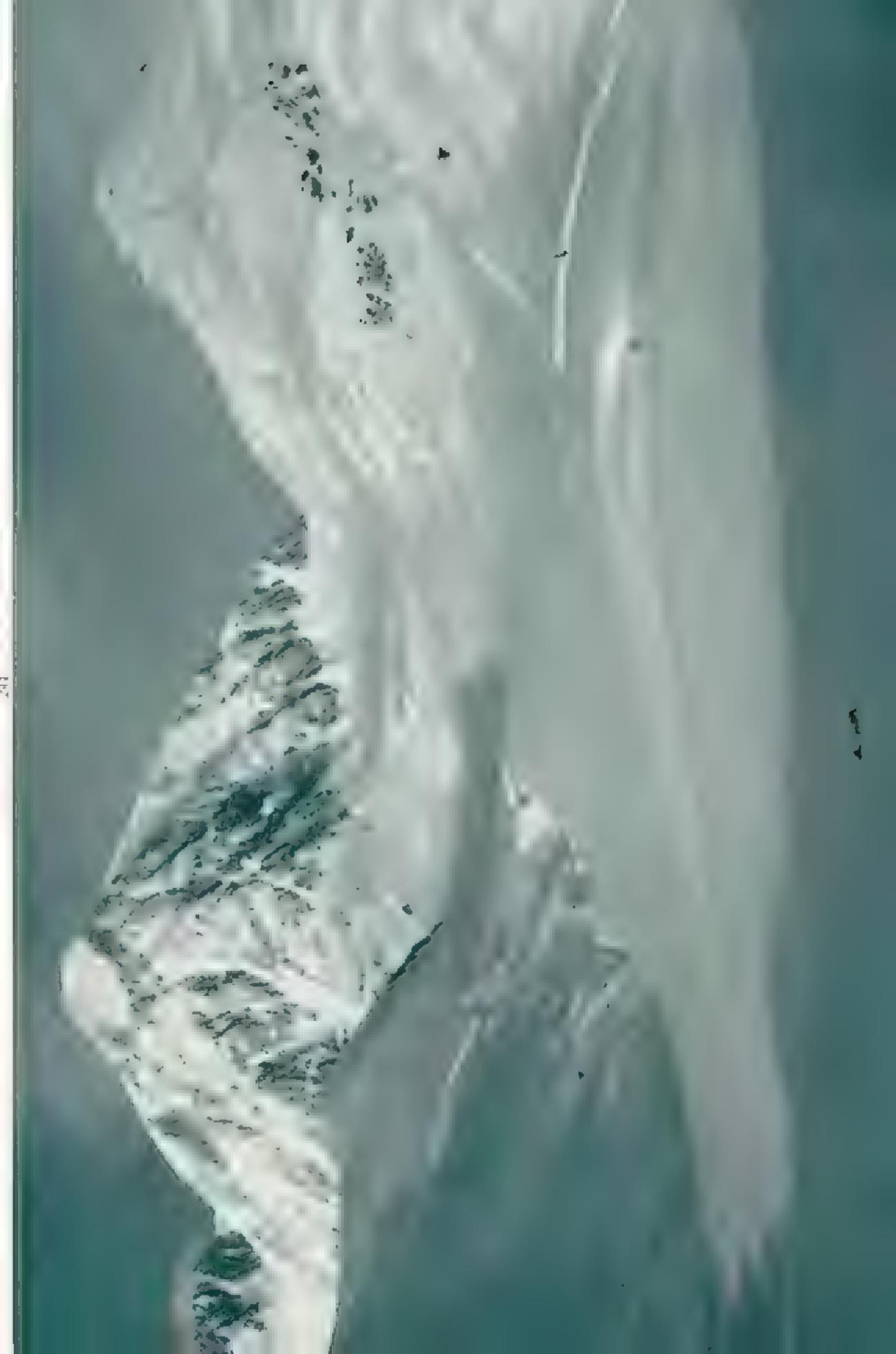
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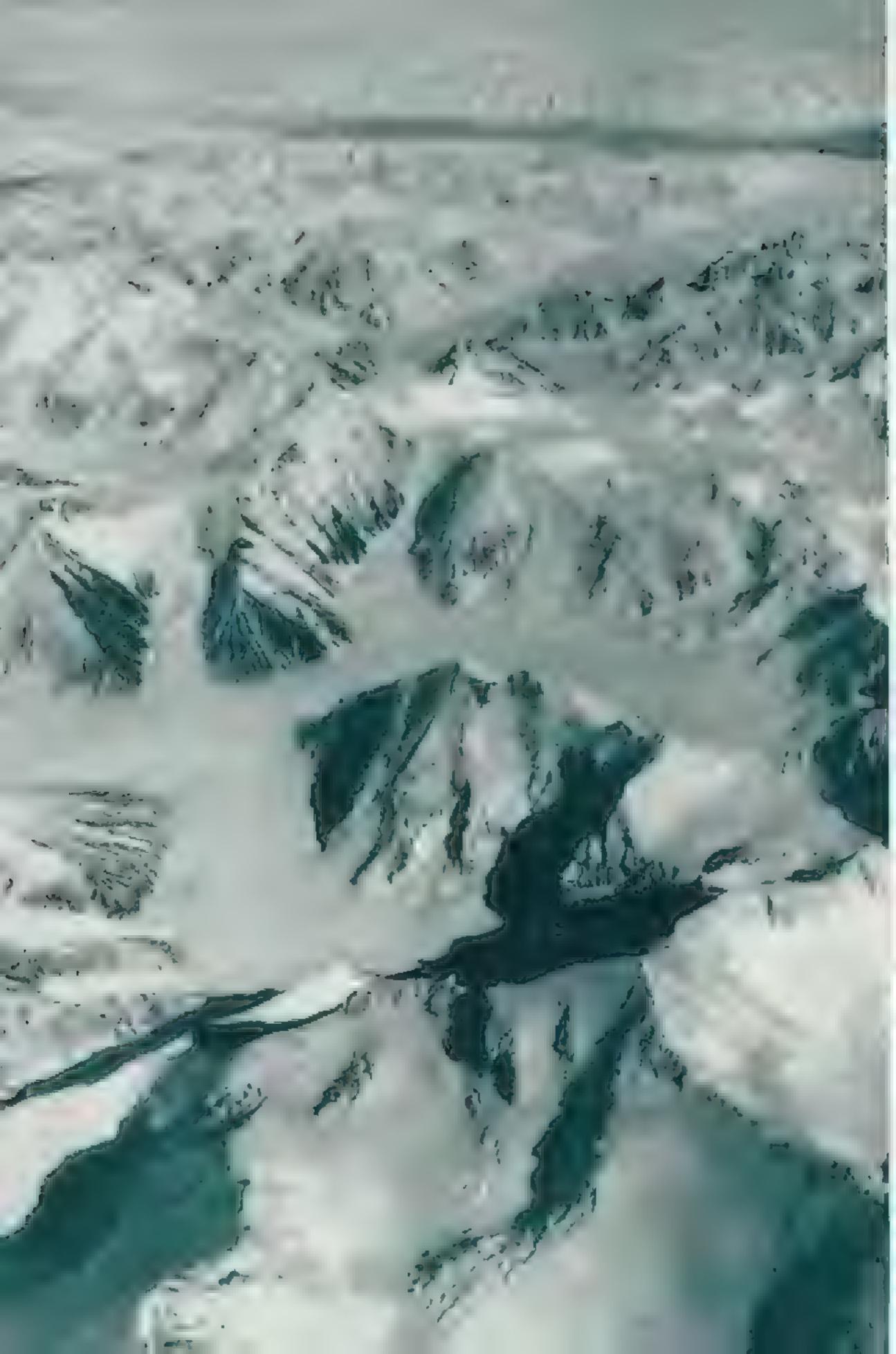
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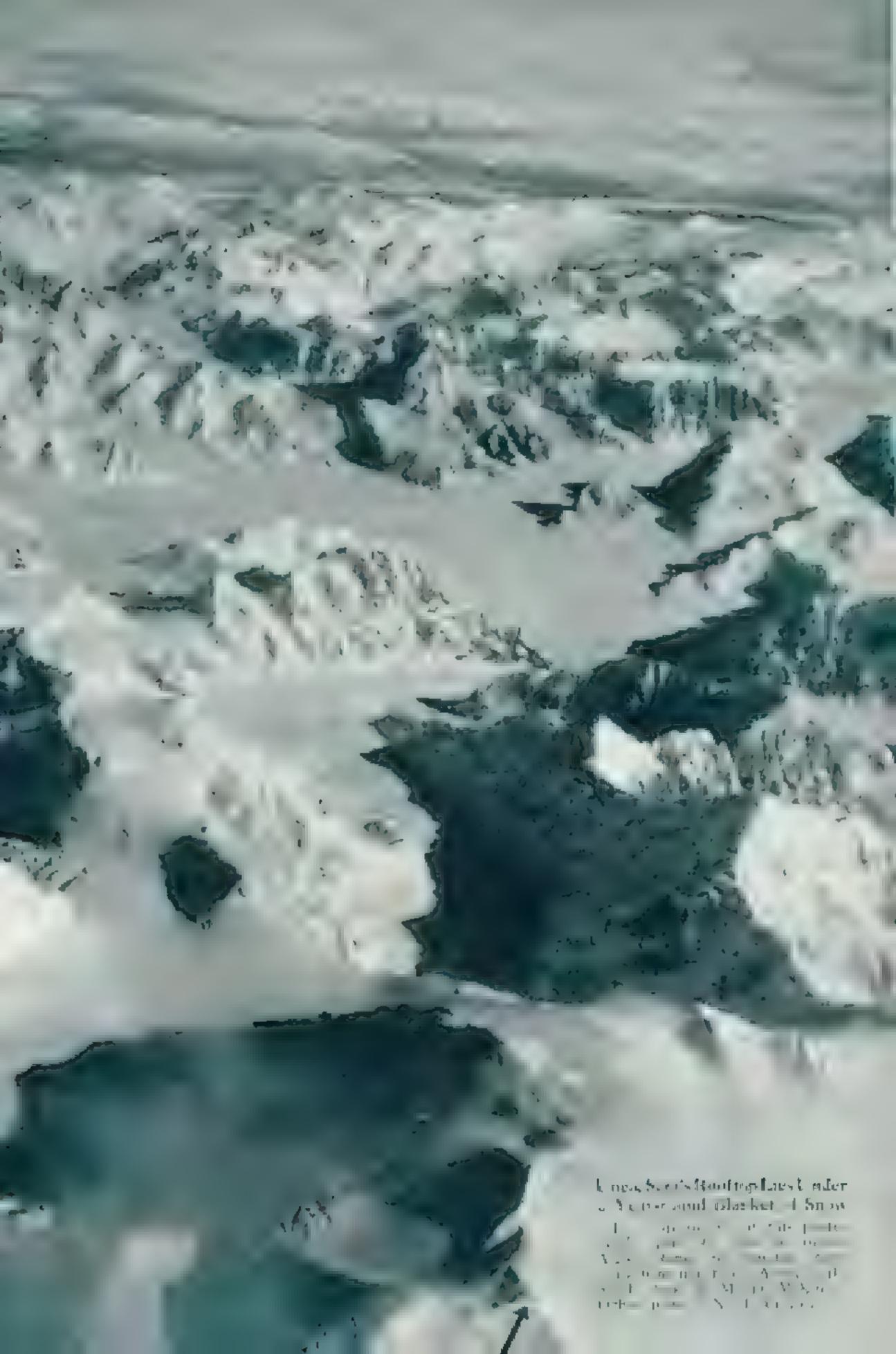
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foot shelf at 2:45 p.m., utterly exhausted and

dripping with perspicution.

Up there, three miles above the sea, we argan to feel the insidious effects of anoxia, or dehelency of exygen. Anoxia increasingly impairs a climber's judgment, alcottics, and will power the higher he gets. He | 10%apathetic, cardess, and tends to put off direg important tasks or ones their sloppuly. Worst and the least real actions of affected by it, he is convinced that be himself is perfectly or must.

Oxygen Lack Causet Errors

Ome in 1947, when an Air barce plane drupped a load of supplies to us. I taid them ow radio that every thing had landed all right. Actually one important loss had smashed; anoxia bad made me too careless to walk

around and check everything.

Our writing because less legible, and we began to make elementary errors in anthoretic. For this reason we carefully double-checked our surveying figures. Once, because of anoxia, we set up the theodolite tripod so high I had to stand on tiptor to see through it. And apoxia mark me so apathetic that I used it in that awkward postson and made several silly errors, which fortanately were corrected later.

Anexia's ill effects can be reduced if a clumber works slowly and rhythmically, without wasting coergy. If, carrying a heavy pack, he chances to stamble, it is often better for him to go alead and fail than to expend strength in a stubborn effort to retain his facting. There is no known care for anoxia except bottled oxygen, which is far too beavy and

r hunsy to use on Mc Nabley

So perfect was the weather that after a good lunch we goaded ourselves into action and tackled one of the real enigmas of McKinley's west face—the last steep slope leading to the crest of the West Buttress. It rose directly 600 feet above our shelf at an average angle of mare than 60' (measured by cline neter).

The final obstacle, now also clearly in sight. was the broken rocky crest of the ridge leading from the top of the 15,000-foot shoulder to a broad snow placeau at 13,200 feet. From there to the summat nertal protographs clearly showed no unusual difficulties; samply 3,100. feet of steep wind-parked snow slove-

The mountain face above our those News camp at 15,400 feet was in just as extent or as the half we had for ght all morning to we numbed feet below. Trom 4 o'clock H1 7 Jun and I took turns chopping steps in the

most wretched «now imaginable.

On the surface there was a thin, breakable crust; under it a layer of granular snow about like buckshot; then another thin crust, then a

lew inches of powelery snow, and finally a soled mass of hard blue ice, all simping much mure than the average mot.

We work crampons and wate field to opposite ends of a 120-foot nylon rope. The man who was not chapping steps constantly watched the rope in case of a slip. Neither of us spoke. We just chopped and chopped.

Below the top of the shoulder the going became so Steep, and sarrisched layers of flutty snow and thin ice so treatherons, that were of tech mile and a halo to a technic

better going in steep rock ledges.

The wind was rising again, and, despite the fact that the ridge was now only a store's throw sites, we decided to retreat to camp. and return to our task in the morning. It is not wise to climb on so steep a pitch when one is cold, exhibitisted, and however

As we descended, we drive three 5-foot oak pegs into the snow and straig a length of sturdy hand I be all the way down to camp,

It was late that night before Jim, Bill, and I finished Luilding an iglor beneath an overhanging ice said at the Crow's Nest. Henry and John, after belieft us carry up supplies, had returned to the Windy Comer ca p Knowing our time was limited, they generously. agreed to let us go up first. They would follow us to the summit later,

A furious westerly gale roared over compall fright. When we awoke, the sun was high and the wind bad died to a breeze. Benut aid circus cloudy topped the summits of McKinley.

Foraker, and Hunter (page 240).

We breakfasted and rested until noon, then tackled the log slope with 40 pound loads. What a contrast to our first trip! Fresh strifted snow pow filled our steps, but this was casy to brush away. We climbed upward s owly but steadily, pulling on the hand line at each step.

Looking 8,000 Feet Dawn

In a scant hour we reached the top of the freed cope. This time we were fresh and rested. Another hour of chopping brought us to firm rack, up which we scrambled easily to the very crest of the great West Buttress. Peering over its other side, we looked almost straight down 8,000 feet to the apper basin of Peters Charler.

The filige ahead was a granute knife enge. studded with angular boulders. As we repred 17,000 feet, the grade lessened and the reak hanged abruptly from grantle to slate at the earlysic contact between the peak's granite. corr and the inky-black rap rock

The wind blew on our backs in gusts of 30 to 40 miles an lown. In the fulls we could bear the gale maring through the jagged ledges of the North Peth, had a mile away



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Recording Thermometer Shows 59

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for up on McKinley by warm spring gales. Though our main objective had been attained, one goal still beckened. All three of us had stood on the summit of McKinley before; yet we now had a compelling desire to climb to that snowy crest just once more.

To the Tiptop of a Continent

A plantelike about coursed over the tip of the peak, but we knew it would vanish in the chill of inte afternoon. As we climbed, the cloud dropped lower, and at 19,000 feet we were inching forward through dense for. But now that we knew the way, every undulation of the snow was like a familiar tree or sign-post, for McKinley's appoint done changes scarcely at all from year to year.

At 5 p. m. the clouds melted away, and the summit of McKinley rose directly ahead, magnificent in a fresh coat of salver frost. We worked upward over the corniced dr.Ds. fingers numb from taking pictures. Forty five numbers later we topped the fami drift of McKinley's South Peak, and the whole amazing

pany rama to the east burst upon us.

Mount Hayes, sharp and clear, cut the horizon 140 miles to the east. To the southeast lay the Chagach Mountains and the mosty gray have which we knew must hide Cook lalet and Anchorage. The huge white masses of the Kabilton and Mukhow Glaciers wound toward the lowlands through a staggering sea of jazged peaks.

Most impressive of all was the deep emerald green of the lowlands to south and west. River after river sparkled in the afternoon sun, twisting off into the distance. As Architectural Hudson Stock said after his first ascent of McKinley 38 years before, it was like boking

out the very windows of beaven

As it grew later, the temperature dropped rapidly below zero, and the gusty wood out our faces like a knife. Despite beavy clothing we legan to teel the intense burning cold of great altitude.

Panarama of 1981,000 Square Miles

Yet we hated to leave. Each of us knew be might never see this marvelous sight again, a cloudless paractama stretching nearly 400 miles from horizon to horzon, 160,000 square miles of Alaska visible in a single sweeping plance.

At 6.15 we then a bit of orange hunting to the tip of the 6-foot bamboo survey marker that still remained on the samual from our 1947 trip (pages 240 and 247). Then we headed downward to our last iglon, shivering ancento liably from the bitter cold.

Descending next day, even with heavy and ke, was almost pathetically easy compared

with the rigure of the long and gracing ascent.

On the trail we passed the other members of our party in two groups, apward bound in high spirits. On July 13 and 14 they tacked to be sample Warener to be a variable hight in Kabilana Pass, making the entire retreat from our highest camp in a single day.

But our thrills were not quite all achird us. We radiced to Terry Moore that the vanguard of the party was ready to be flowe out, and I e replied, "Will come this evening."

The sun had dropped behind Kahilina Pass when we heard a faint ham. It grew londer, echolog from the class. Two minutes later. Firey was taxing safely toward the tents

"Gee, that was a tough one! No more landings tonight!" were his first words as be climbed out, "The tump booked as if it were thating in a bottomies sea of gray ralk, I'll take only one man out tonight."

It was agreed that I would go on the first trip. It was a thrilling take-off. High clouds atlane with sunset covered the sky. Every peak about us was pink with alpine glow.

Back to the Soft, Fresh Lowlands

I caught a final glimpse of Jim's and Bill's worried faces as we started moving. We passed the end of the runway and headed down the steep, smooth snow slope of the gladler. Suddenly I realized we were in the air. Terry's eyes twinkled triumphantly. We

made it, pand!" he shouted,

The sun was slipping behind the vast Yukon lowlands to the northwest as we flew over Wonder Lake and glided into the little Kantishna withold. I'll never forget the lush green of that valley, the beauty of the spruces, and the smell of grass and flowers that came in the plane windows even before we touched the ground. The whole world down there seemed soft, fresh, and nelicious after the cold, by cesolation of the beights

At daybreak on July 15 Bill and Jim were flown salely out, and 10 days later the others

followed.

Mckinley had been climber from the west, safely and speedily, in only seven days from kabilton l'ass. We had proved that airplanes, loade i or unlouded, could lead and take of halfway up that side of the peak. Mel Griffiths had completed his geologic work, My wavey was done and checked. Not even a napor accident had occurred

Our new paute up McKmley's "impregcuble" western face had turned out to be even shurter than I had hoped it might be when I had first seen it on our Narrowat Grogsapine photographic flights 15 years betore. It was proved to be an ideal avenue of approach for future scientific work stop the roof of North America. Predaters and I de Proy I be Campberging Minus Make's Are a Retuge 3,000 Square Miles of Spectacular Willerness

By ADOLPH MURIE

Blologist, Automal Park Service.

Hall Paration of the Water L. Water, Some called an oppin Marriage Study Arters

TN the creek ahead we saw a dark object that reached almost from shore to shore. A We stopped for a better book. A grizzly bear lying in the creek was enjoying the cool play of the current on its skin. A cub frol thed at the big animal's side.

"It's probably Nokomis," I said as we scrambled from the rattictrap truck. "She's the only grissly in the area with one cub."

Walter A. Weber, NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC naturalist and artist, but come to Mount Mc-Kieley National Park to palot and study Maskan wil flife (map, page 222). He especially wanted to see grizzbes. Here, on our second day up the field, we had found one, and reservoire decompanies. Pears bathe quite aften, but men rately see them duling it. We set up our cameras to record he scene.

Suddenly the old bear, 80 yards away, stood up and eyed us. I thought she was standing up to stretch.

Our confidence vanished when the grizzly nervously "chomped" her jaws together several times. We could see her yellowed teeth. Probably she was trying to seent us,

A bedian of squalls and backs empted bebind us. Another grizzly cub was paring back and forth on the hillside three's and ga L'anoticed, it had been playing there when we Hinri

Between a Gracely and Her Cubs.

My mistake was evident. This was not Nukemis at all. Our liathing bear must be Old Rosy, mother of him ciles. Now we found oursewes between an irate galaxly and her trightened cub—a classic example of the wrong place to be.

"I don't like the looks of this " Walter said,

as the bear dropped time fact feet

We gratified our casperas and sprinted dwyn. the road. Branches snapped and chackled behand as as Old Rosy plawed through the brush Dward her second cub. We jumped into the trink on I frove away.

Seconds later the grissly broke act onto the highway. She gave us a stilelong game and continued upfill traffer by cub number one Stopping at a sufe distance, we watched the little (wally's regain)

Walter later watched Old Rosy through his o waters and made the sketches he wanted. The painting (page 255) shows her in a less belligerent mond as she shepherds her two cubs across a sweeping plateau.

Color Films Supplement Sketcher

To ensure accuracy, artist-caturalist Weber supplements his own memory and notes with sketches and motion pictures he makes on the spot. Later, at The boriery's beachpaarters in Washington, D. C., he projects the color flow above his easel, stopping their motine with a push-button arrangement to study a creature in characteristic pose (page 270).

Nothebrone slides of typical park plants and landscapes and been in painting backgrounds. Specimens from his own callection. or from maseums round out his original

source maderial,

Walter Weser and I are old friends and it was my pleasant duty to act as guide during his stay in Mount McKinley National Park, For a month we readed an unspolled wilderness, enjoying the same majestic scenery and for-north coviroument that trail-blazing Charles Sheldon, the hunter natural st, exdored in 1906 and again in 1907-08. It was I reely tectause of 5 reldon's observations and accounts that part of the Alaska Range was set aside in 1917 as a national park,

Pollay the purk covers 3,000 square miles and is the Nation's second largest national park; 120 species of birds and \$6 species of mammals have been identified within it-

be and aries.

Crowning glary is lofty Mount McKinley. highest peak in North America. The emilnes, amearth reaches an allitude of more than 20.-000 feet above sea level. It alone surprisses the park's wildlife as an uttraction for the proming influe of visiters,

An excellent alghway cons through the refuge, providing ready access to wikilife areas. THE STREET TO THE BEAUTIFUL AFFAIR

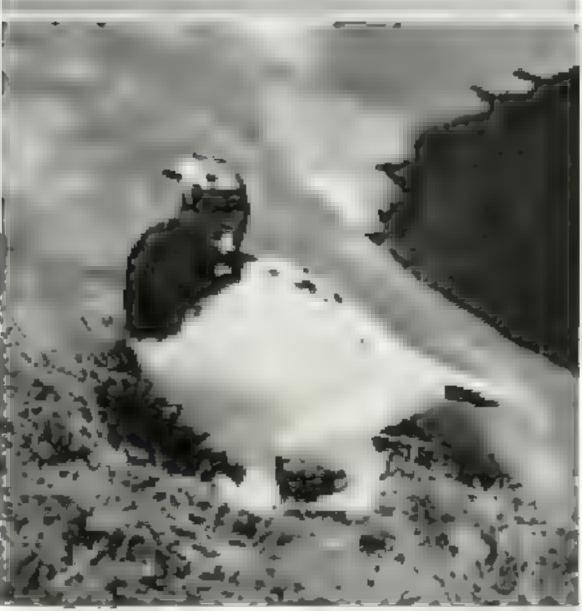
often can be seen it on the roal

After a lew tlavs in the eastern section we drove 88 miles westward to Womeer Lake, near the base of Mount McKinley, and set up beadquarters in a lonely 5-room burgalow.

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We found many small, scattered groups of caribou. Once we staked two fine halls with sweeping angular uniters Both wire adults, but only one had attained the glistening white the hand a country of the mental governor was price ness spreading over the shoulders and place the flanks that are characteristic of the mis-श्रीराधा विकास संग्रीता ।

Circling downwind, we approached the automis as they grazed among scattered spruce trees. Shair we set up our exmens. The earlbou's eyesight is anything but keen; only sudden movement would betray us.

I'm buils looked our way a few times as if suspicious. After a white they lay down contentedly. Then, for ou apparent reason, both Jamped to their feet and dashed off.

Fly Tormentors Smoil a Picture

Our comments were sulphurous. Probably the animals had been set upon by nose bottlies or warble flex. The latter deposit eggs on the legs and flanks of the car bon. After batching, he largue penetrate the leg and by the following apring have surrowed through to the back, where they emerge as fal grabs. The grabs drop to the ground, where they change into termenting flies.

It was now late August. Hell and tundra blazed with brilliant shades of crimson, yellow, and gold. Against this vivid background the lordly male carlbon seemed the epitoms.

of wilderness splendor.

for sections fights later in autumn when each adult male would attempt to round up and defend against all rivals a dozen or none cows.

the timber welf.* Unfortunately, we failed to sight one of these powerful predators, but I did point out a river bluff burrow where I had observed waives aften. Lougging by the den, I told Waiter the story of its tenants.

I had discovered the wolves' hideaway one May moreong while following telitale pad marks in light anow. Two adults can from the entrance when I approached. Crawling maide, I found six dumpy, blunt-nosed pappies, their eyes still closed. I wrapped one of them in my parks and carried it home.

The little captive, a female, grew rapidly on cannot milk. She became a friendly pet, beloved by my wife and 5 years all daughter Gul. Because of the woll's good-natured tail waving, Gail named her Wags.

Wolves Call on the Family Pet

Wags was kept on a chain outside our cahin where she received visits day and night from neighborhood wolves. Their holdness made us fearful for Gail's safety, but despite misgivings we kept our pet for a year. Finally we gave her to the rangers at park headquarters,

from a near by tuketop I watched the wolf family from which I had abducted Wags and made daily notes on their habits.

It had always been thought that a den of wilves consisted only of parents and young.

* See "Cambida County Its Carl one," Narmous Circumstrate Monager, Angust, 1982. To my surprise, I discovered that in addition to Wags's mother and futher there were two other adult males and a female living at the den. Three years of observation indicated that these additional wolves were not young of the previous year, as might be assumed.

All the adults were friendly with one one other and amiable it word the pups. Before leaving for a night hunt the wrives often engaged in ceremonious tall wagging and shoulder rubbing; occasionally they enjoyed a playful rump. Several times the unattached female sat with the puppies while their mather joined the pight bunt.

Undoubtedly the animals had some quarrels, but I observed a side of their nature that

has not entered into wolf tradition.

On one or casion, secure in my ridgetop hidenway, I wanthed the five wolves stage a memorable buttle regal with a big male grizzly. The bear got a strong whill of carlbott ment, cached by the wolves in a thicket, and heaved straight for the site.

Grizzly Meets His Musters

Too late he tralized his mistake. The pack, which had been resting under cover, dashed out to attack. The grizzly turned and ran, but he was soon overtaken and encircled. The wrives stashed at his flanks. As he tutted on one termentor, another tushed in The nimble uttackers easily avaided his langes.

The battle lasted 10 minutes, but its ortcome was never in doubt. The overmatched bear retreated slowly. Eventually the wolves

permitted him to lumber off.

Walter took notes as I described the episode Later he reconstructed it in a wonderfully

realistic painting (page 259).

The lynx is a perfect example of an animal whose fate closely depends on a prey species (page 262). When the sumshoe rabbit is abtainant, the lynx prospers. Permulcally, however, the tablits die in large numbers Deprived of their main food source, the big cuts become enferbled and dwindle in number until tabbits again become plentiful,

Foxes, too, are sometimes affected by population cycles, thench to a less degree than the lyng. McKinley Park's red foxes maintain themselves in good numbers (page 255). When their staple food such as squirrels, rabbits, mice, and ptarmigan is scarce, many foxes survive by feeding pure extensively on crowberries and blueberries.

Orașthorgista visiting the park invariably inquire about two of its most clusive residents, the wan lering tattler as I the surflired (pages 264 and 255)

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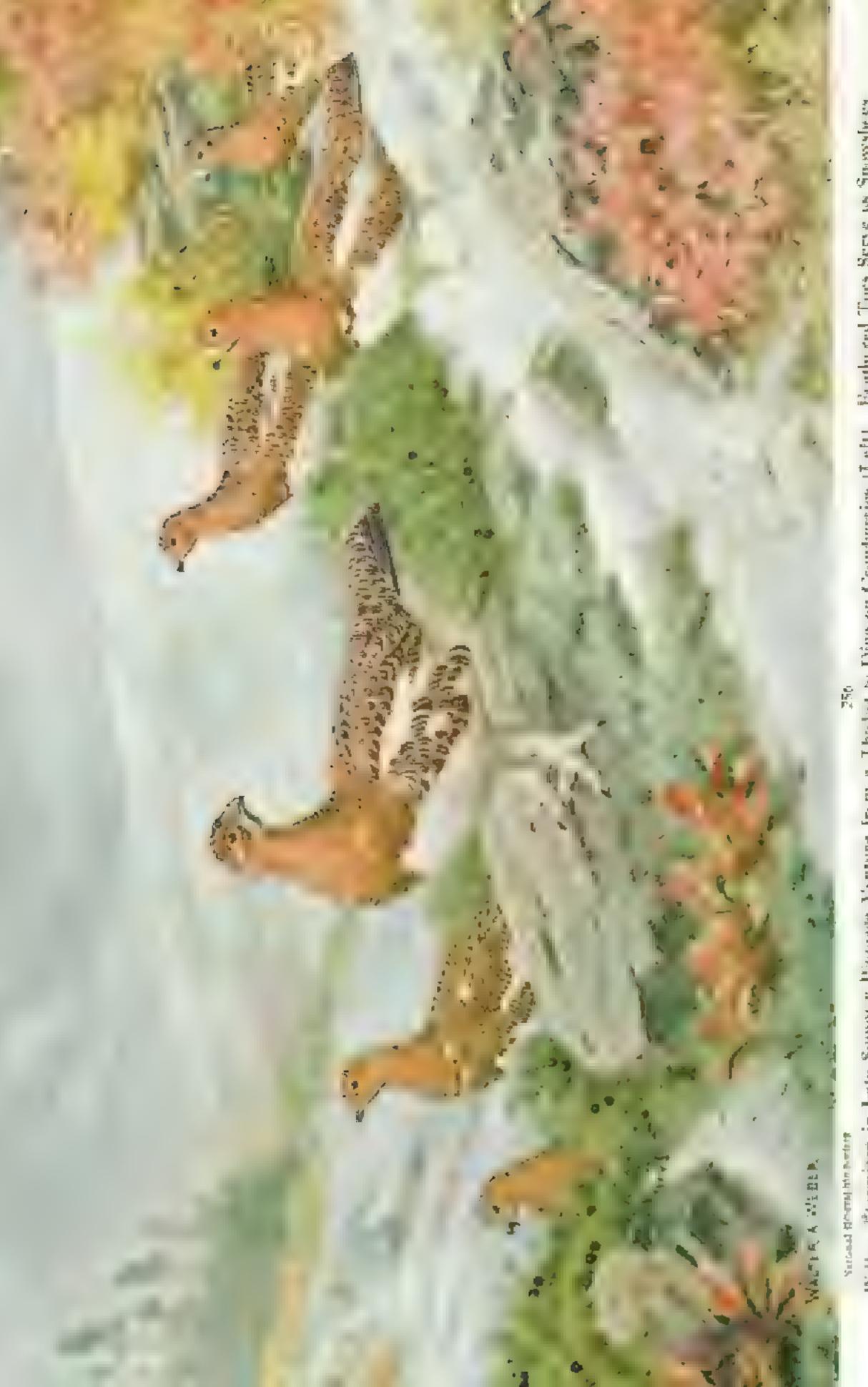
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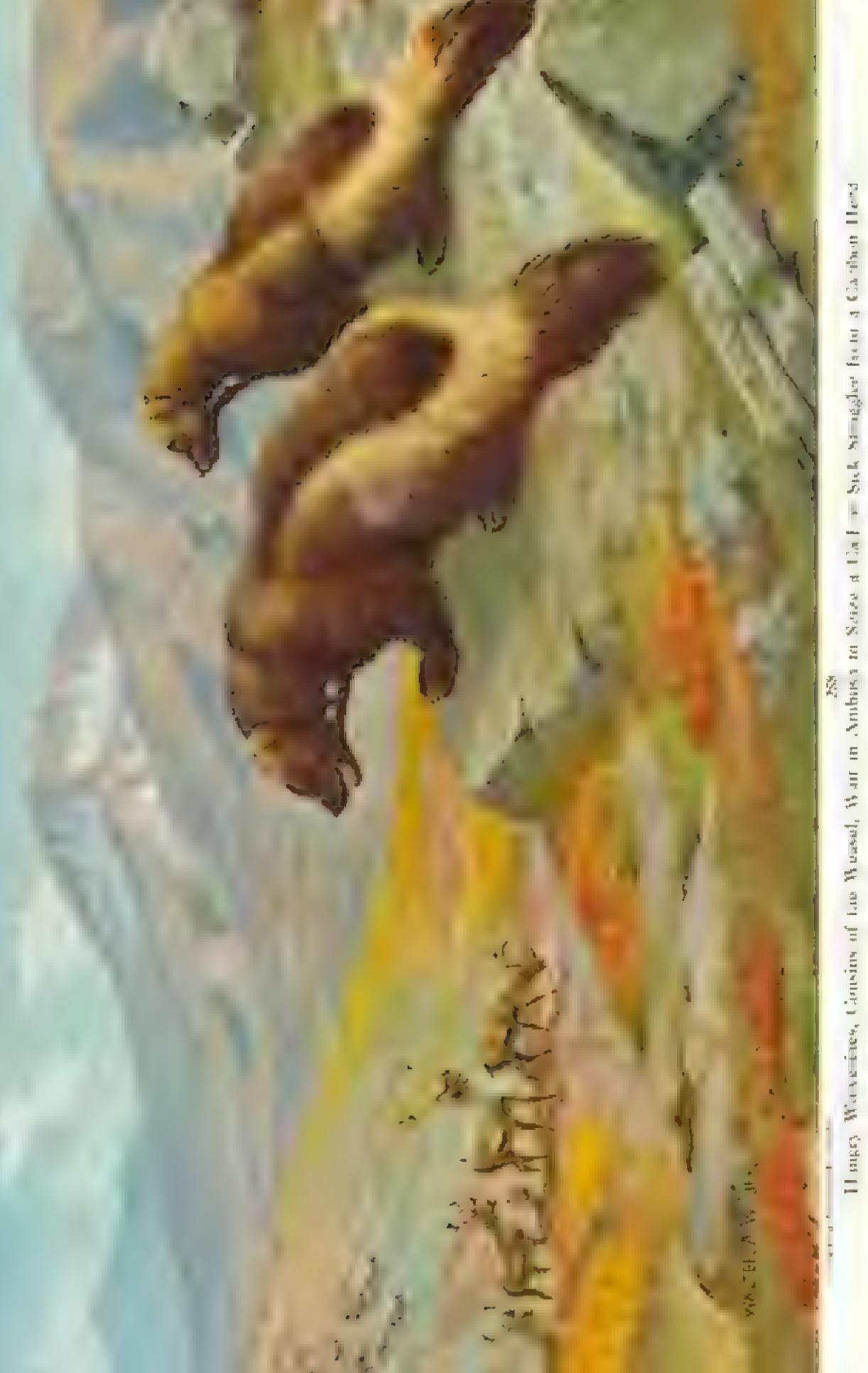


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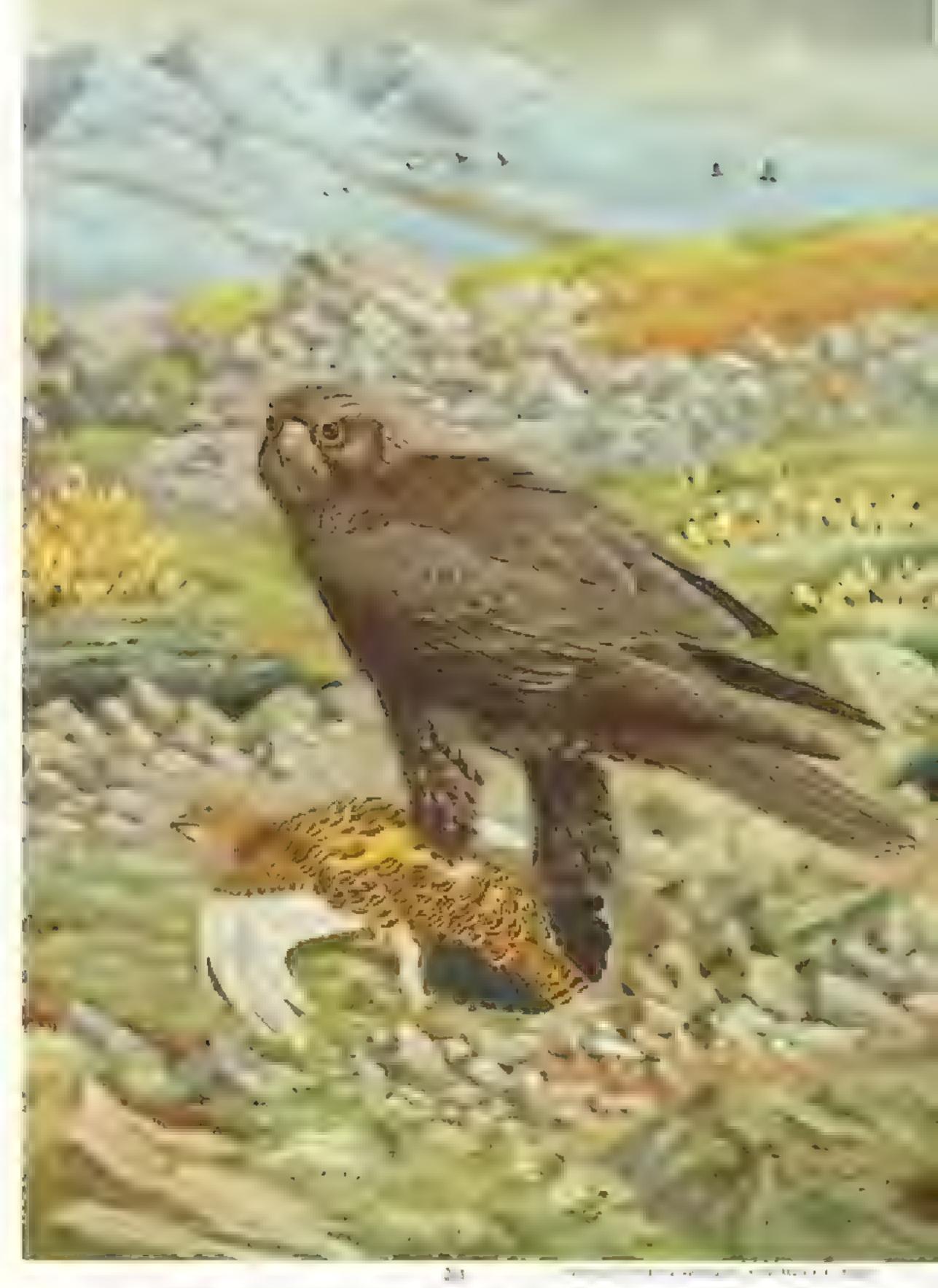
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A Plump Surfbird Ignores the Courtship Antics of Small Neighbors, the Whencers

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another part of Alaska. But it was not until May 25, 1976, that the first and only surfbird nest known to science was found within the McKirley Park area by George M. Wright. He and Juseph S. Dixon were walking across a rocky ridge when a nesting surffird exploded into the air from beneath Wright's feet.

This sudden bursting-into-flight serves to startle mountain sheep and thus keeps the

mests from being traing led.

We know now that the surfbird mises its family in the high country above timberline in Aluska's interior. It winters along rocky l'acific coast beaches as fur south as Chile.

First Wundering Tattler Nests

On July 1, 1923, my brother Olaus and I were driving a team of horses on a gravel bur of Alaska's Savage River. Suddenly a wandering tattler burst into the air just alread of us. Near a wheel rut we found its nest

In 1939 I discovered a second nest. They are still the only ones recorded, although the bird itself is common enough in the Araska Runge. It winters along the Pacific coast of the United States, in the Hawahan Islands,

and in faraway New Zeelund

In me the powerful golden eagle, with its wingspread of more than seven feet, is one of Nature's most splendid creations (page 254). Some years sen the park eagles were suspected of preying widely upon the lambs of mountain sheep, so I turned detective.

Visiting many cliffside nests, I gathered pellets of und gested bones, feathers, and fur, which the eagher regarglistes after a meal, hastoinables of the pedets revealed that more than 90 percent of the bird's het consists of ground squirrels and heavy marmots. A few lambs are undoubtedly taken, but the effect on the sheep population is insignificant, I was happy to report.

The bird that perhaps hest typifies the North is the willow promigan, an arctic representative of the grouse family (pages 250,

256).

We met many of these binds prospecting for gravel along the road. They proved so tame and confiding, clarking softly or crying come-ere, come-ere, that frequently we were able to herd them toward our cameras.

Ptarmigan Dress for the Senson

Also present in the park are two other platmigns species, the rock (page 261) and the white-tailed. The rock planningshis call is low and guttural somewhat like the croak of a bulling. The white-tailed, timest of the three, utters a high-pitched scream, not at all in keeping with its personality.

All three species change dress with the seasons, matching winter's snow with white outhts, densing brown-and-gray plumage in spring when the snow melts. In late summer and fall they dig lay snowy trocesparts and brownish feathering above, as in the color plate on page 256.

White camping in a sprace woods we studled the activities of a wincome little field mouse, the Tokkat vole, named for Alaska's

Toklat River,

Like the squirrel, which stores nots for the future, the Tokiet vole is a provident creature. Each summer 't harvests hay to lead upon during winter. Great care is taken to seep the hay day.

Near our cabin we found many minuture haystacks, usually piled between the basal branches of dwarf trees or husbes and on ex-

posed roots of spraces,

Some of the vote's hurrows have an ingraious construction, a savies of small chambers contexted by narrow passages, so that a burrow resembles a pearl necklace. Connecting passages are so narrow that the vote can just squeeze through. A passuing enemy, such as the weard, would have to stop and enlarge each passage.

Scanning the sprace type, we discovered several lawk owls, beaut ful northern birds that do much hunting in anylight. The painting of the owl swooping on the Tokket vole reproducts a scene I witnessed (page 200).

From a hilltop we saw also a pigeon hawk break up an aerial doglight between a grahawk and some taxens (page 26a). The samply little pigeon bawk, highly maner verable, chased his larger apponent all over the sky and finally drave him (at matter area.

We Stalk a Merd of Ruma

Soon mid-reptember was upon us, and there was time for only one more camera hunt. We set out for the high, traggy ridges in search of Dall sheep (opposite and page 250).

These mountain sheep are among the handsomest unions of the Mount McKindey recion. In summer they appear to be pure
white. Against the snow a slight yellowish
tage is apparent. The rams have graceful,
curving harms, decoratively writakled. A goodsized male will stand about 39 inches at the
shoulders and weigh approximately 200
pounds.

but 60 miles the park highway passes through sheep range. In spring, lambs may be seen frisking along the cliffs and ledges, developing their legs, already strong a day or

two lifter hirth.

Rattling along the bighway in our truck, we sighted 20 rams in the chifs high above us. A dry river bed promised an approach. After twe began a slow, laborhus climb.

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Tracing List Littin Cardizations, an Amaron gest and His Wife Narr wly locope Doaster on the Isthmus' Wild North Coast

BY MATTHEW W. STIRLING

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VISTWARD for 130 p iles from the busy world crossroads of the Panama Canal extends one of the must belated and inaccessible coastal stretches of the Western Hemisphere,

This almost-forgotten region, where primitive ways of life still survive, is the junglemusted north where of Panama which faces the Caribbean Sea between the Canal Zone and the Lagura de Chiriqui (map, page 275).

All year winds sweep the coast, ridging the sea with hage collers that beut ngainst the share in a homming suct. There are no harbors and few anchorages, even for small traft. The rough mountains of the isthmas, clooked with tropical forest and drenched by soaking tains most of the year, extend down to the sea.

This wild hand is sparsely peopled in the nterior by Indians in direct blooding from the aborigines of pre-Columbian tanes, and along the sencoust mostly by Negmes, many of whose ancestors probably were escaped slaves. These inhabitants have virtually no contact with the outside world

A few small launches periodically visit the coast to pack up cargors of bananas; illmarked and difficult jungle trads twist across Cher friedlichtebaten

Yet it was in this area that Columbus, on his fourth voy use to the New World in 1512-03 first found in any quintity the gold he sought. Here he established the first Spunish columy on America's maintand, at the mouth of the Rio Belen. Along this coast, too, he encountered the greatest duliculties with storm and such of his entire career.

In the Footsteps of Columbus

On a gray January dawn my wife Marlin and I arrived off this inhespitable shore at the mouth of the A. Collegel Norte on the of the semamonthly bunging biggs,

We had come, under the joint auspaces of the National Geographic Society and the Smithsonian Institution, not to seek gold but to bunt for pottery, arrowbeads, stone axes undered graves, and other remains of the Indians who lived here during and before the time of Columbus. We hoped to gain from a study of such relias a better understanding of the rise of prohistoric Indian civilizations in the New World.

All night long on the voyage from Colon, in the Canal Zone, our lattle craft had patched and tossed in heavy swells, fully hving up to her name, Tumbaita, the Little Tosser. Aswe rose stiffly from titful sleep on the hard uetk, we could see white Lirenkers underlining the base of lonely green-clad mountains.

Explorers Have Shunned the Area

Ever since the time of Columbus explorers have shunned this forbid ing Land. For centuries it has defeated those who sought the grid reported in Culumnus's accounts.

We were to face for greater difficulties and dangers here than on any of our previous expeditions to study the archeology and prehistory of Milbile America *

This first visit to the Corlé del Norte was a soutting trip for later explorations, for we bad been unable elsewhere to find reliable information about the interior. Alreast nothing has been published about this area since the accounts of Columbus's voyage 450 years ago,

As the wind whipped the waves and

Tumbaits Isbored in the heavy sen a mile offshore, we were reminded of a passage written by the great explorer of this very coast: "... The storm recommenced, and wearled me to such a degree that I absolutely know not what to do . . . never was the sea so high, so terrific, and so covered with fearn; not only did the wind oppose our proceeding unward, but it also rendered it highly dangerous to run in for any headaned, and kept me in that sea which seemed to me as a sea of blood seething lake a cauldron on a mighty fire.... All this time the waters from heaven never ceased descending, not to say that it mined, I'm it was like a repetition of the delige. ..."

Though we did not realize it then, these words were strangely prophetic of what was to happen to us,

Accounts of Columbus's voyage tell that the Spaniards found the Indians wearing gold unaments in the shape of disks, frogs, and

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Maya of Central America were skilled in architecture, mathematics, and stone sculpture. Ideas were constantly bearowed and exchanged. Obviously these exchanges must have passed through the Isthmus of Punsma; It was legical to seatch here for evidences of them.

On two previous trips we had studied the archeology of Panama's Pacific coast, and now, during this third season in 1951, we popul to explore the little known north coast and complete an archeological cross section of the istimus. As in previous years, our on, friend Dr. Alejundro Mendes, crector of the Panama National Museum, assisted us.

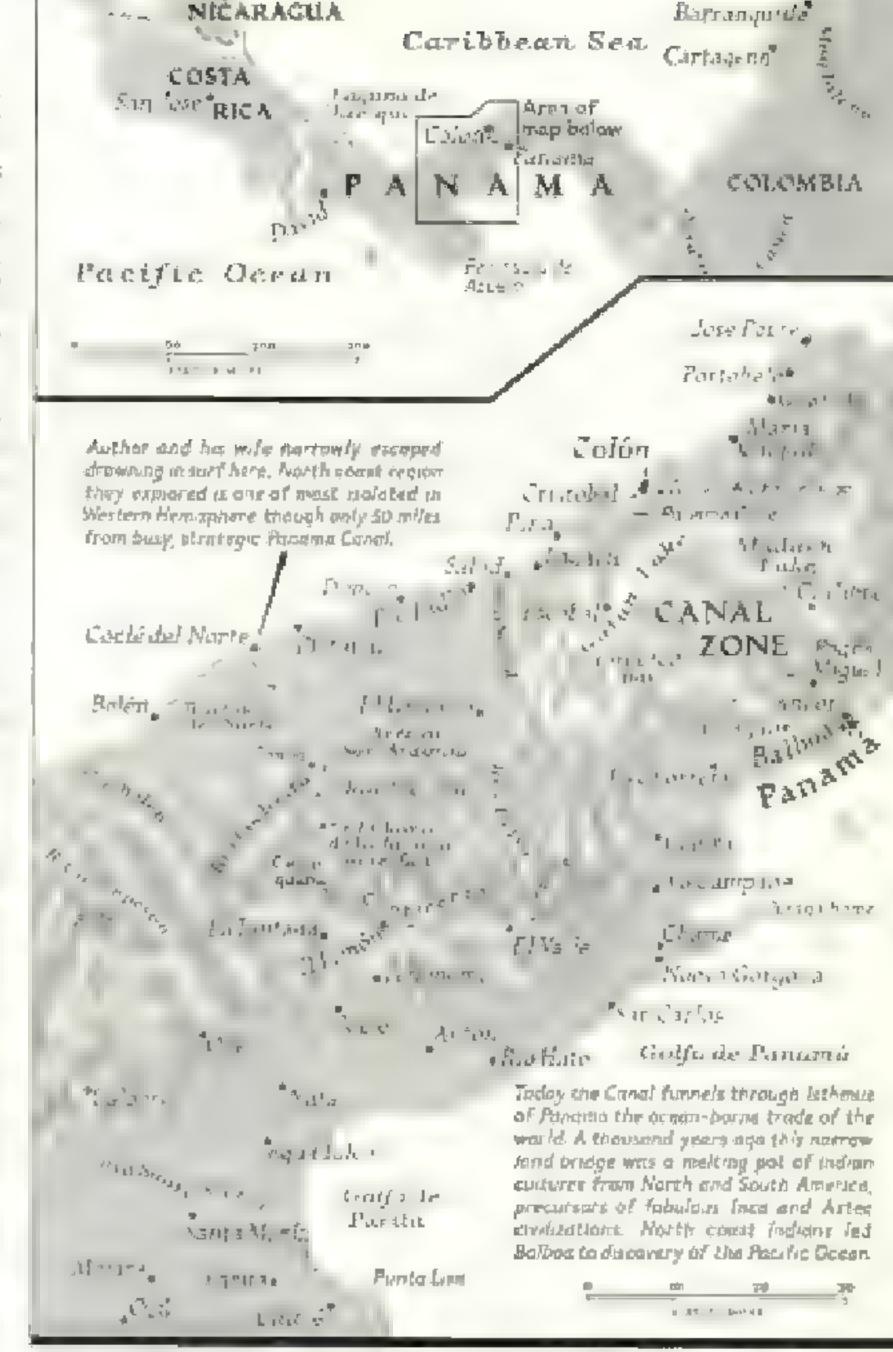
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Now we were ready to set forth it in the is later, country along the Rio India and the Rio Coclé del Norte. No vestige of a read extends westward beyond the Rio Salud.

We decided to tackle the lado first. Since its mouth was only a two hours, walk along the leach acside the sart, we obtain each acside the sart, we obtain each a "surfeti" of 18 dattiers, who transported our boxes and bundles.

Or. Shirley Gage, a vacatoring woman physician from New York State, joined us for a trip up the Indio She had done several years of merlical work in China and washed to study a region which modern mediting had not reached.

Approaching the town of Rio India (pages 277, 287), we saw that most of the men there, all Negroes, were dressed for a fiesta. They were I dl c a cal bats decreated with fit wers and bright-colored feathers. They had painted their faces red, white, or thue, and talked backwards or in a strange of latish that sain the opposite of what they meant. The celebration is known as the "Congo," perhaps in reference to their African ancestry.



Scientiste Probe Panama Wilds Sturned Since Columbus

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No sooner had we arrived than it seemed this unfriendly land was taking revenge upon as for during to proposits long-hicages secrets. That there of year, January to April, was supposed to be the ary season; yet it rained in torpents appost constantly. The rain was so frequent that riters we were not dry for two or three days and nights in a row.

We slugged over madely trails and made short excursions by cance to archeological

sites, questioning the natives as to possible new locations. An old team, who several years ago had found a gold (reg and a gold "pencil" (probably a red were as an earring) while looking his field, led us to the place, high on a ridge.

bragarats of broken pottery were strewn about, where they had fain an isstarbed since before the days of Columbus. We ancurtized a massive hour 19 by 10 feet, made of 15 sabs of a hard green sandst are carefully fitted as a mosaic, each about 10 inches thick and 5 feet wide. Probably it was all that remained of an aborteinal temple. Around the floor we uncovered quantities of pottery, stone axes, and fragments of stones for grinding corn. As in all the sites we had found, the pottery was unpainted and undecorated.

Piled Potsherds Locate Doors

Potsberds were a sure clar to am lent house sites. Lucations were easy to spot, being the only level places in otherwise hilly terrain. We could even place the door of a bouse; it was where the pile of discarded broken pots was largest.

Excavating archeological specimens calls for the care, both to prevent breakage and to record their exact location. Scale diagrams are made of each trench. On these each specimen is entered, showing at a glance its relation to other objects found place and below it.

Collecting thousands of fragments of broken potsherds may not sound exciting, but the ancheologist expends largely on pottery types to distinguish various cultures and to establish their chromological order. In the same way one might trace the development of life in various countries by successive types of lighting fixtures used; first, pine knot torches, then candlesticks, oil lamps, gaslights, and finally electric bulbs. Pottery, because it is more or less imperishable, survives where many other artifacts disappear.

Apart from helping to solve prehistoric roblems, much Panamanian pottery, particulty slatest and the limit of the makes ensier an appreciation of the limiting rivolization that so impressed the Spariatric of the early toth contury. Many of the howis with tall pedestal bases would make decorative additions to any toom even today. They are embellished with strange conventionalized designs representing birds, insects, animals, and reptiles.

birds, insects, animals, and reptiles.
We next set out for the rough country of

the upper Rio Indio in a large cause pushed by our own outboard metar (pages 274, 277). About a mile a more the mouth the stream narrowed; here and there the tops of glant trees towened overhead. Many faller frunks lay in the stream, and our guide worried lest

our propeller foul on barely submerced logs.

Rounding a bend, we came upon two Indians fishing from a canoe with bows and attows, the latter fitted with three branching points. Bow-and-arrow Labing requires skill, for refraction of light by the water distorts the position of the tish, and the arrows penctrate univ about a foot below the surface.

the fishermen agreed to pilot us through the trace of logs. We took their canor in tow, while one of them stood in the bow of our craft and indicated the course by arm signals. For six hours we wove in and out among the logs, the river becoming more and more shallow. Finally our suides told us we could go no farther by water.

It was raining hord. We pitched camp in the mud utop a steep, slippery clay bank about 40 feet always the river. It was still taining in the morning when the owner of a tent by house came to inquire whether he might bring his family to our camp.

"They buve never seen people like you," be

told us (page 272).

He volunteered to guide us to a 'house of sandstone' back in the jungle. Slocking over all-marked trails, we came to a fantastically encled tayine. It couled in a natural cave cutting through a sandstone formation for about 50 yords, like a large tannel. A cluster of bats hung from the roof. This was the 'casa de laja' which, according to take we had beard on the coast, was the towered run of a manorry castle!

Our guide led us to a mear by place where his unale had found a gold all'gator. Everywhere potsherds were scattered, evidence of a large population in the days before Columbus. We excavated until the rain became a deluge.

River Rises S Feet Overnight

All the second night the downpour contitues. Muthing revealed a river risen eight feet, an angry torrent of yellow water.

eince the water was now more than deep enough for the outboard on tor, we moved un apstream to the village of id Uracillo, on the first large fork of the Indio. Here ancient Indians had terraced slapes to support their village. The modern inhabitants, taking advantage of these ready-made house sites, cleared the area and built today's village, the only one in this part of the interior.

A new schoolhouse was under construction, with a cement those and corrugated-iron roof. We received permission to occupy it. While the rain thundered down on the roof, we spread our blatkets and clothing to dry.

We soon discovered that the entire village learning was me large archeological site. Here we unearthed pottery painted in red. black,

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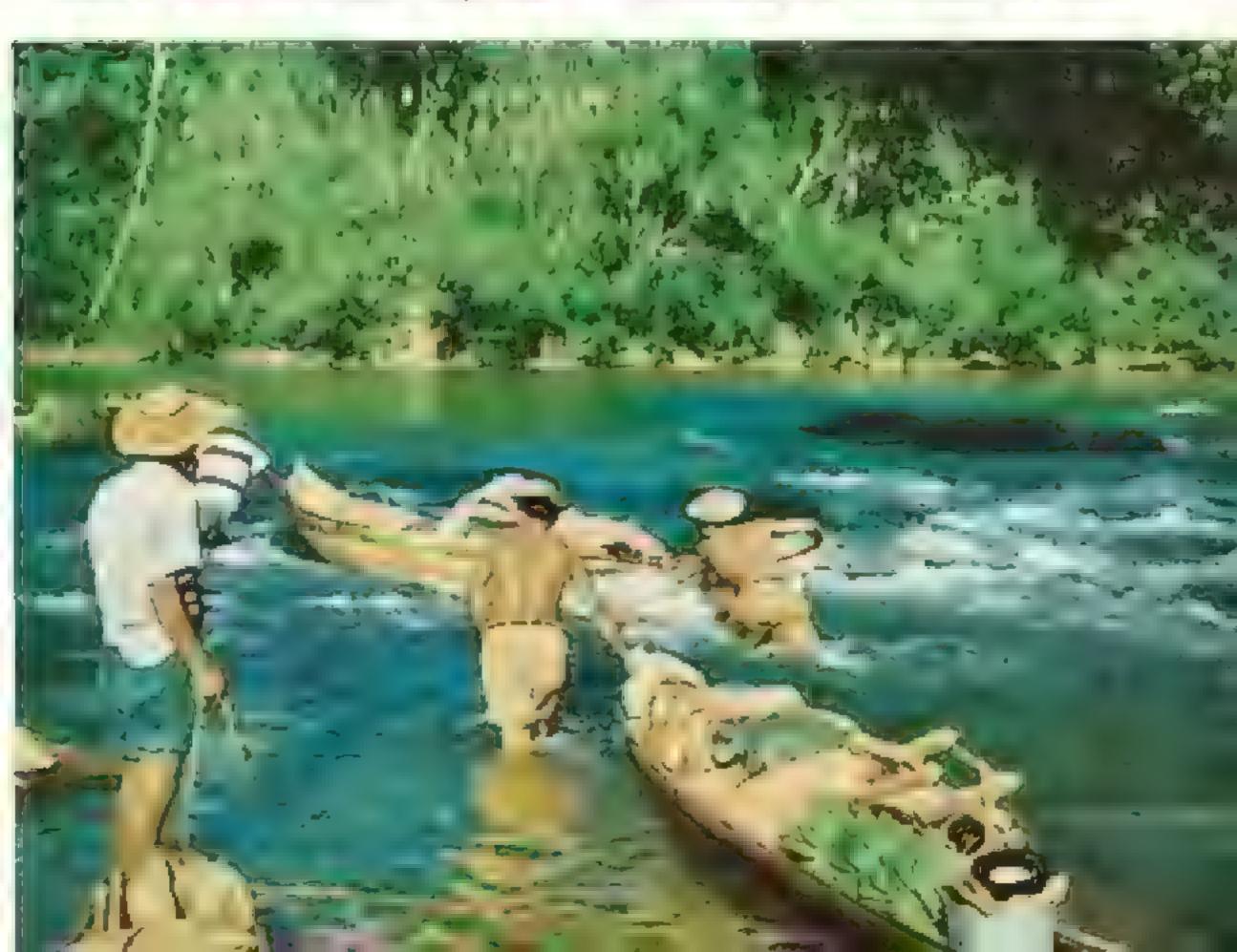


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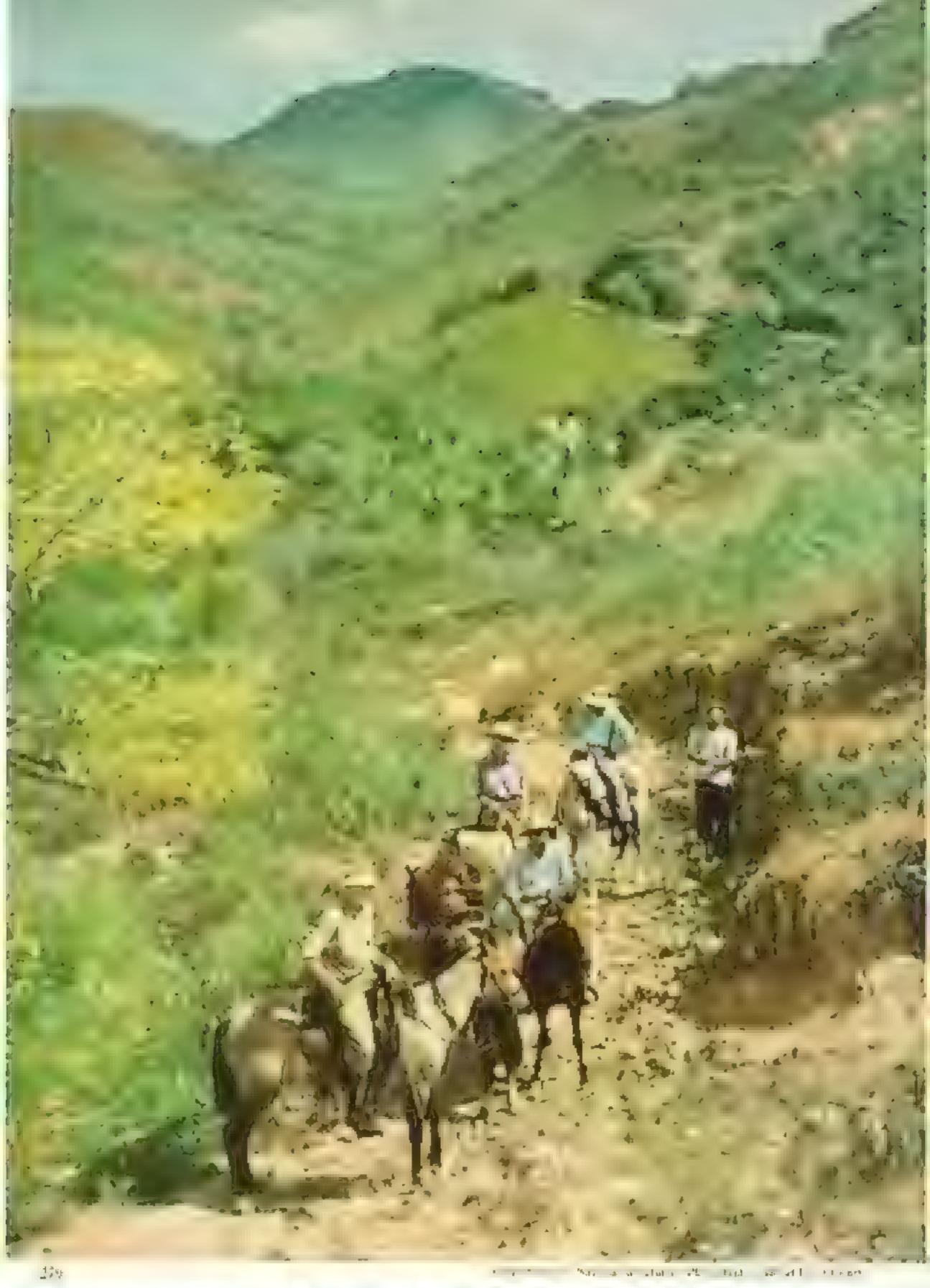
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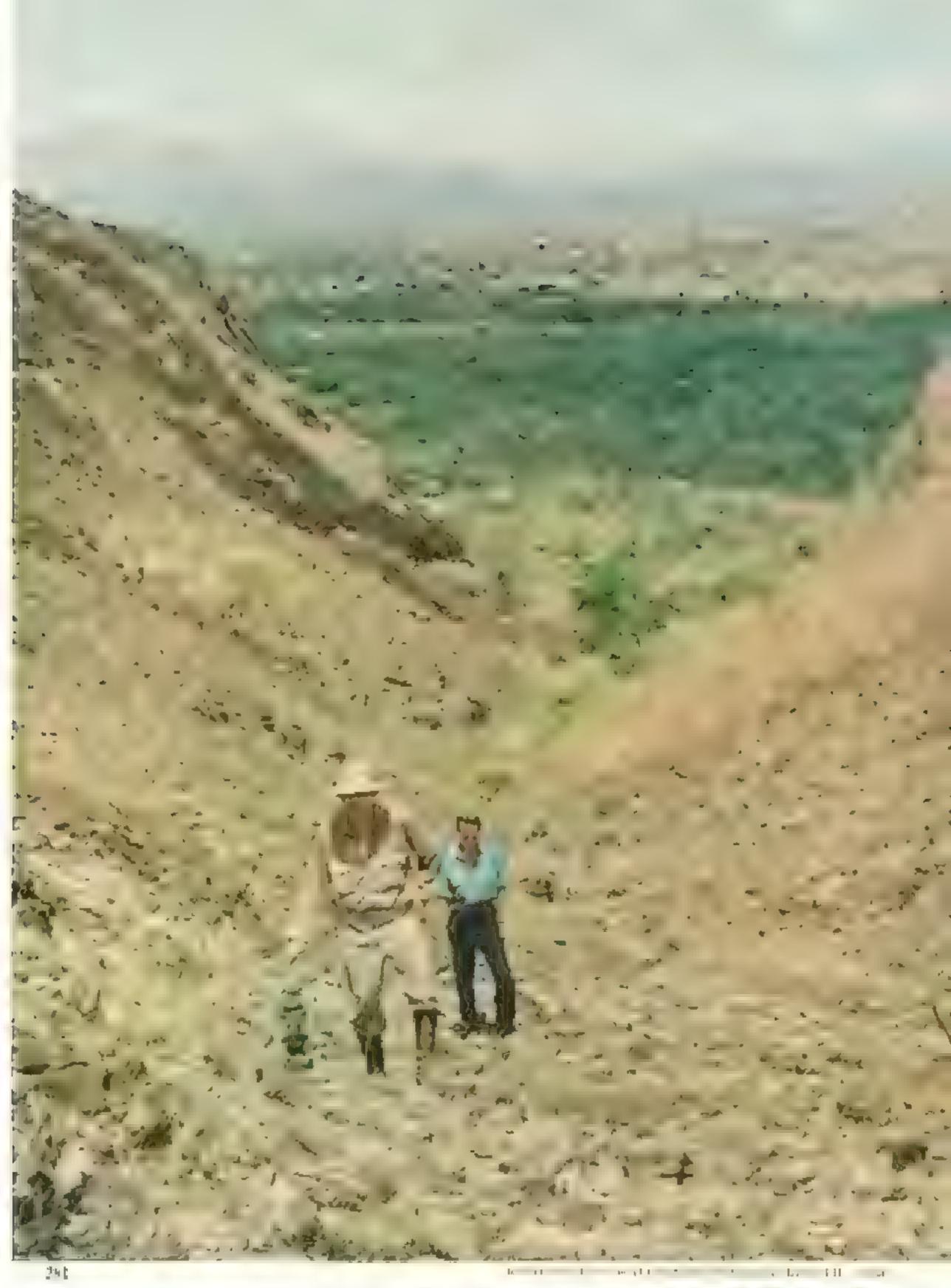
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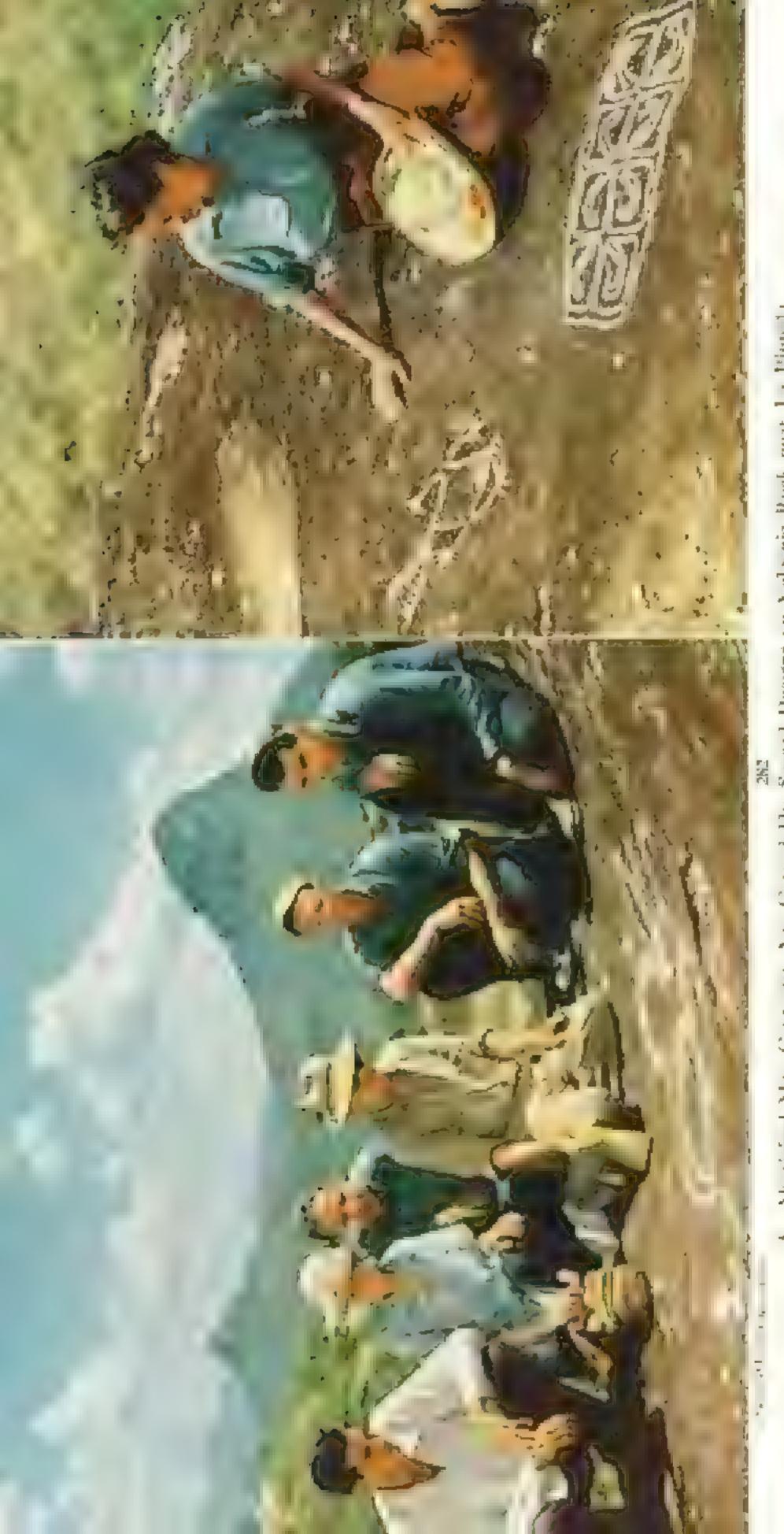
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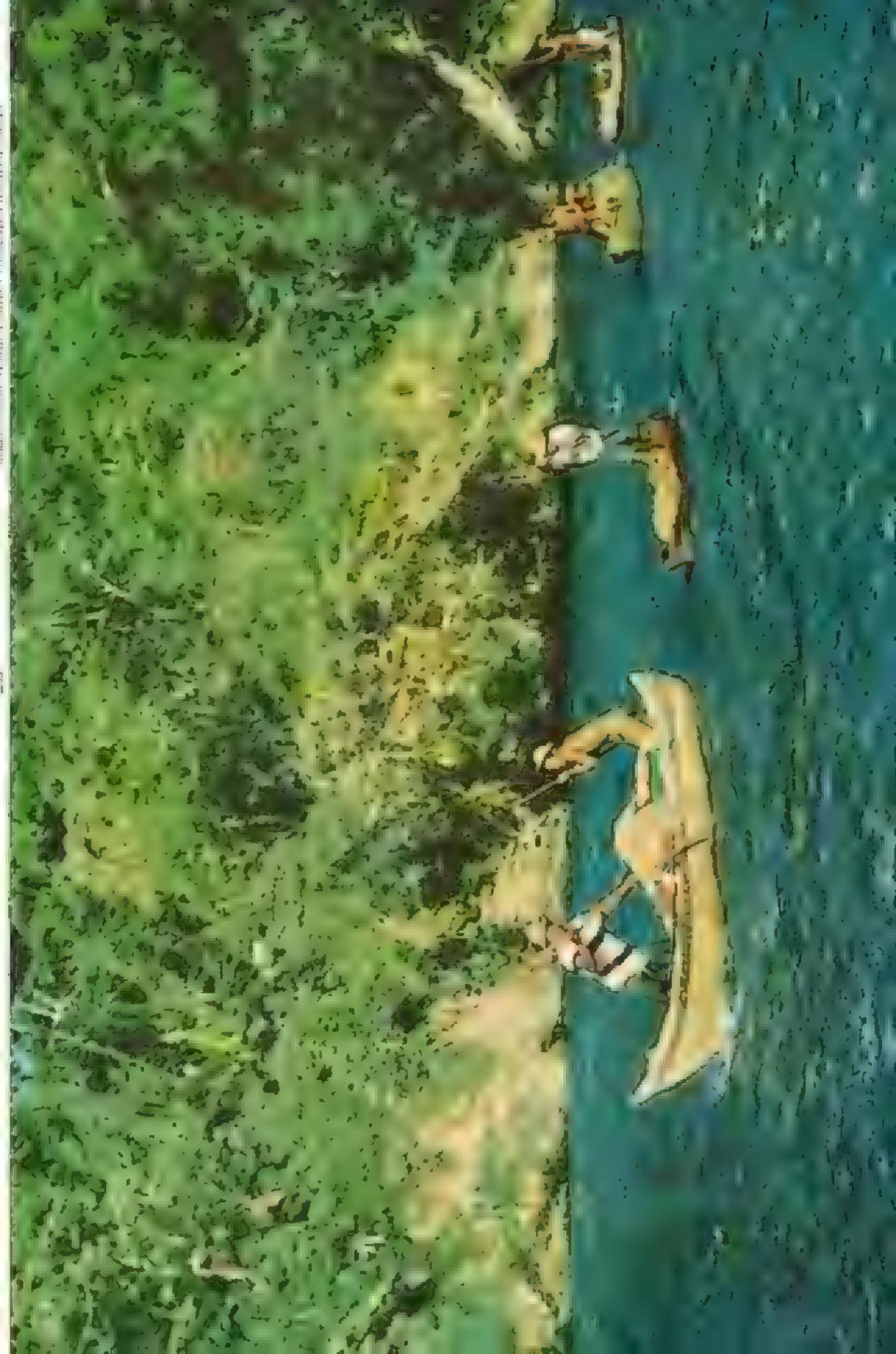


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and purple, with designs that clearly showed connections with the rich cultures that once existed across the meantain divide. It contrasted sharply with in painted, simpler pottery we had found nearer the coast

Polished stone axes and arrowheads in abundance resembled the coastal types, but a strong blending with the guitanes on the Pa-

cilic coast also was exident

he contain best on gon the Paritic slope were quite accounted and knew, for instance, the art of gold plating base metals. They manufactured beautiful polychrome pottery, carved handsome ornaments of whale ivory, stone, and bone, and mounted careralds and semiprecious stones in gold settings. Their lavish use of gold led to their early destruction by the Spaniards.

Competition for the Medicine Man

Or, Gage set up a medical clavic in the schoolhouse. Suspicious at first, the natives inally began bringing their children for treatment. The women followed, and at last came the men, some from a day's journey away. Intestinal womens and aching teeth were the most common complaints, plus goiter, yawa, and infirmities of old age.

The local medicine man, who charges for his praisit and herb remedies, was jealous and suspicious of this free service by an natsider. Dr. Gage's final triumph came, however, when this local "medico" also presented himself for

treatment for an objected tooth.

When we had acquired as large an archeological collection as we could carry, we canned downsiver and retraced our hike along the coast to the Rio Sahui. The next tray we reached Colin, bade farewell to Dr. Gage, on I loaded our equipment about d Tambalta for the trip to the Corfé del Norte.

Heavy sens at first forced as back, but the next day we arrived off our destination. Dick and Marion got safely ashare with the first came-had of backage, but Bob Rands and I were not so locky. Crossing the har in the locary surfan the second trip, the came twice vected sideways and heavy combern broke

over us, half swamping the ctaft.

We hired a native, Domingo Santana, to gride us and started opriver in two large canoes rented from Vidal Gonzales, the store-keeper. The larger craft, I tted with an authorated motor and named the "Queen Mary." took the other in tow. To help with our discing, we hired three of Vidal's men, Euse-bio, Santiago, and Marcilia. About noon we encountered the first rapids and could na longer tow the second canoe.

From this point orward we spent more time out of the canoes than in them, poling, pushing, and towing them through one series of tiver was a succession of rapids and deep stretches, in the latter we used the outboard, and in the former we used main strength.

Fig-cating Fish

Many huge wild fig trees grow along the riverbanks. When it gust of wind came, green figs abnost the size of tennis balls fell into the water. Immediately the surface was abunced by the rush of large fish. Doming a bold us they were tarport, which fairly swarm in the their during the season the trees are hearing. The pathoes use wild figs as balt.

I was naive enough to threw out a plug at one of these spots. A fish took it almost immediately. Although the Lrace was on, the line screamed off the reel. Almost before ! knew what had happened, all I had left was

on empty reel and a blistered thumb,

That afternoon we reached Canoa, a single thatched house where lived an old woman who reputedly knew of a prehistoric burial place. She led us up the riverbank to a terrace. After poking about in the jungle for half an hour, the halted and unnounced that we stood on the exact place.

The site did not look promising, so we asked for more details. Thirty years ago, it came out, she and her family had lived in a house on this spot. At night she heard poises under the ground that sounded like the clinking of roins. Ghosts of ancient inhabitants buried there were obviously counting their gold!

We asked why they had not dug it up themselves. She replied that they were afraid.

This was but one of many such wild-goose chases we experienced in our searches.

Maiden in the jungle near Canoa, up the Arroya San Antonia, we came upon remains of old Spanish gold workings. Tunnels dug probably by Indian slaves were still visible though long since collapsed. A few large mill-stones lay covered with undergrowth.

Most from the June e

Our guide shot want for us. Our fayorite was "painted tubbit" or pace. This large rodent, weighing about 20 pounds, has a delicious flavor resembling park. Even tough tapit steaks became palatulde when treated with a tenderizer and cooked Swiss-style.

We also shot an occasional duer or curassow, the latter a hird related to the wild turkey, Usually we were able to purchase rice and lamanas from the natives and now and then some true and chickens. Palm nuts were abundant and palatable. Our only imported foodstaffs were dehydrated soups, a little cornect fruit, threse and similar luxury items.

We explained the Rio Coclecity to the head of canoe navigation, which was take-off point



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The state of the s A a Solly with the Allert for a difficult two flyes' trad perces the mountains to lat Plutada and Percounce, settlements we reached later by another approach. Three small native children were so pirald of us they hid at first. We gave their mother same hard curdy, which they tried to swallow while. The thoking which resulted did not literease

an r payoulucity.

Ascending the Cascajal, we found it so full of rapids that our two large cames could not be fully loo led. We therefore bired two additional small trait manned by Indians whose too the third were timed to start months. They do this by planing one stone behind the tooth and pounding with another. The practice probably originated in Africa. These Indians think it not only adds to their good looks but also belps preserve their teeth (opposite)

Waterfalls, rapids, and falsen trees often blocked our progress (page 273). Eventually the stream opened into a deep, color lake, and we made camp, dry for once, on a hilling.

From here we could see the Cerro Ignana (H3) of the Ignana), about 2,000 feet high, which parks the Continental Divide. In four days work we obtained a good collection of pottery fragments and stonework.

It began raining the afternoon of the final day and proped all night. We got up at 5 a.m. and broke carmy in the dark and the deluge. At a boase a little distance downstream we picked up our outboard and other extra equipment left there on the upstream pull.

In help carry our collections, we hired a small carrie manned by two Indian love and Indeed it with picks and shovels, food, and archeological materials in rubber sacks.

Ginding it downtiver, the boys had a fine lark, fishing as they went. One specimen they caught must have weighed 10 pounds. We did not see how they got through the rapids in their leaky, overloaded canoe, which had only about on inch of freeboard.

With the worst obstacles benied as and our archeological work accomplished, it was time to felax and enjoy the trip downstream. Had we known what lay shead, we would not

have been so carefree!

Trouble in the Rapids

Early in the afternoon we came to the last bad rapid. Here the river forks past an island. The right branch is shall we and the mon body of water follows the left channel. The water drops about 10 feet in a distance of 150 feet at the area of the tapid, where it makes a right-angle turn.

So arely in the angle of the turn protouded the skeleton of a large tree. The number two canoe, needing less water than the hig one, took the right channel, the swift current made hadling it through shoul water fairly easy. Domings elected to take the 'Queen Mary' down the left-hand, deeper channel.

As we came to the angle, the force of the water was greater than Domingo expected, but by thrusting unninst one of the limbs of the following tree he harely prevented the bow from sweeting under it

Suddenly disaster struck. An eddy caught the campe and swang it like a cracking whip against the tree. Easeblo and Dick were swept off by a limb, and the stern was forced under The men managed to hang onto the limb, which was ever the swiftest part of the rapid, but the craft filled and overturned

Marion, in a raincost and bla sun but, swam out into the current. A poor swimmer, I clung despetately to the bottom of the cance. I could not hold my prin, but the current was so swift that, by the time I slipped off, the cance and I had been carried down to a sand-but in midstream where the water was only waist-deep. Marion found footing alongside me, clutching Bub's suctease and typewriter.

Buxes, bags, and cartons were floating flownstream all over the place. Eusebio and Dooringo managed to beach the came on a shallow bar. Bob, Marcilio, and Santiago hauled their came ashore and hastay began gathering in the floating equipment. Flomingo and fluedio worked an empty came along the bank and picked up Dick, Marion, and me.

Cameras Sink to the Bottom

Our nationard motor, badly damaged, would not start. Dick's small movie camera, two still cameras and extra lenses, and a heavy notice camera had disappeared. We arged the men to bunt for them, but they were pretty well exhausted and felt the effort would be fetile

Only bantingo carried on t the search, probing and diving in the deeper channel. After half an hour he found one movie camera 200 yards below the point where the camer went over. In another half have be focated the still cameras and leases

santings also found two of our most important sacks of archeological material, thereby salvaging many of the scientific results of the upriver trip. Everything, of course, was saturated, even the things in tied rubber sacks, Cartons fell apart, and our food, except for catned goods, was mined.

We builty reloaded the cances and drifted downstream, pausing for a supper of were these and cruckers. The rain stopped before dark and there was a half moon. The lower river was calm and beautiful in the park light.

We reached Coulé del Norre before midnight, the third time we had arrived there, and the third time we had arrived soaking wet!

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Memoran was magnificent, not only phyloghis paddle but shouting orders, keeping the crew working together and straining. At test we seemed to make an progress in bailing, but at last the level began noticearly to go down.

binally Mendoza said, 'We are moving abread again! Keen working!' After what seemed an intermitable time we passed the last line of breakers and feathed the big r liers of the open sex. We were saie, but all the chickens were drawped.

Linked by Sea Baprism

As the transfer to Timboria was completed and the came was about to return to shore. Mendoga said, "You must be sure to write to me. We all belong to the same family now

as we have been reborn together!"

that one more breaker bit us, we want I have been swamped. To swim in the heavy suff would have been impossible. We never should have embacked with such a beaut toad, but did not realize how badly overloaded the caute was

Missing the host would have meant a two-week wait until Tumbaita's next trip, Furthermore, the wind had been vising all quantity and the surf was beavier than on the

two carlier trips

Safely back in the Canal Zone, we again spread and our things to day, this time at Ancan in the yard of old friends. Paul and Betty Bentz. Our water-scaked wan has and radio had to be restored to working order. The archeological collections, after drying out, went into the Bentzes' basement for tem seracy storage.

Now we were ready for the just leg of our trip across the mountains from the multiently land that had an nearly defeated us. There we hoped to find remains of ancient calcuratementations between that upland region and the country we lad just explored on the one hand, and the better-known cultures of communicals by his loss on the other

Gogta Move Out, Explorers Move In ...

In La Pastala, a picture-que village northwest of l'enonomé (page 281), we rented an earth-flaored, t le-ror fed adche la use form the local. Climese starekeeper, who obligiogly drove out the grats and cattle bying there, Marion guthered sweet-smelling orchids known locally as bemann Santa (Holy Meek) to completely a mewley, their polor.

In the real-by mountain is solutter's from his Protada helped us locally caves that were aboriginal tembs. Some of these were dangerously placed on the faces of high cliffs, up which the locales were carried. This method of hurad has but been previously reported from Paniana, nor is it mentioned in early actionals.

With the memory of our recent narrow escapes still vivid, I felt as I clambed up to them son ewhat like the cut which acready had but eight of its nine lives

Two wide expanses of bare rock, one on the side of a high hill and the other in the mitalle of a stream, were covered with special ular and mysterious petturlyphs (page 282).

Old friends, the Conte family of Penenome, led us to a tomb site near a place called El Limon in the mountains (page 279). There then Mignel Conte had discovered a fine collection of new-type pottery, which he presented to us for the U.S. National Museum

Last Find Richest of All

We best noved to Majata, on the Penin-sula de Aztero, patching our tents not far from the town of Oca Here we found the richest of all the sates we worked that season in Parama. It yielded a magnificent collection of polychrome pattery representing a new variant of the high Coclé culture of the Pacific slope (page 278).

One of the practices of civilized tribes to Middle America was the horizing of ropal, at resin incense, in their religious cere tomics. At one place in the Mojara site we found a cache of more than 200 spoon-shaped incense burners with about 100 little hourghiss-shaped stands made for them to rest upon after heating when the incense was smoking property.

In Finance generally demonstrates a relation with South America. Gold ornaments in the form of frogs, birds, and other anima's and the method of plating copper with gold are characteristic of posthwestern South America. The method of burying the dead in deep thankers hollowed at the base of a vertical shaft is also typical of both regions.

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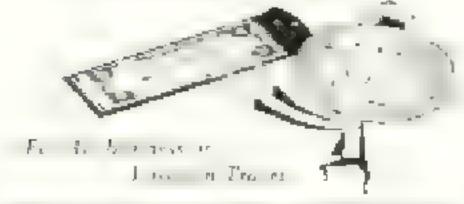
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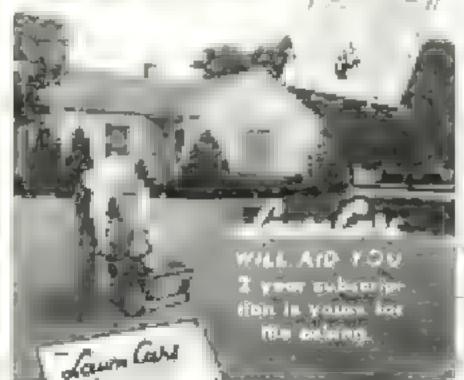
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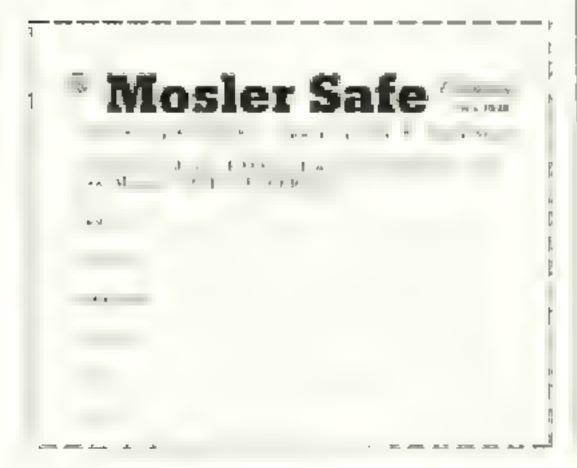
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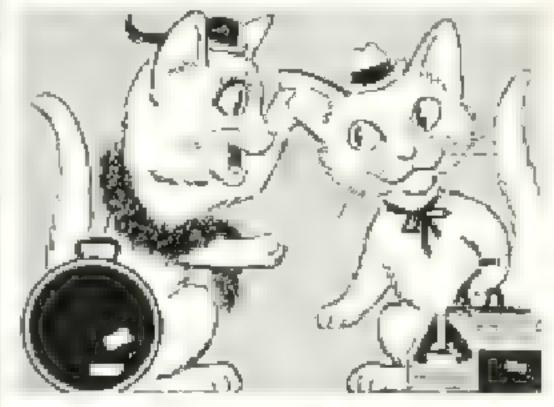
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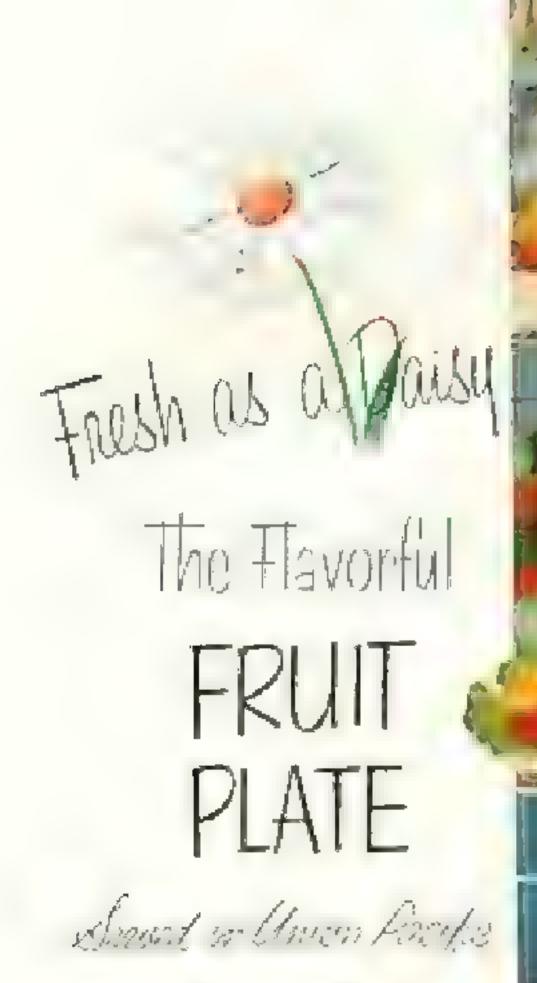
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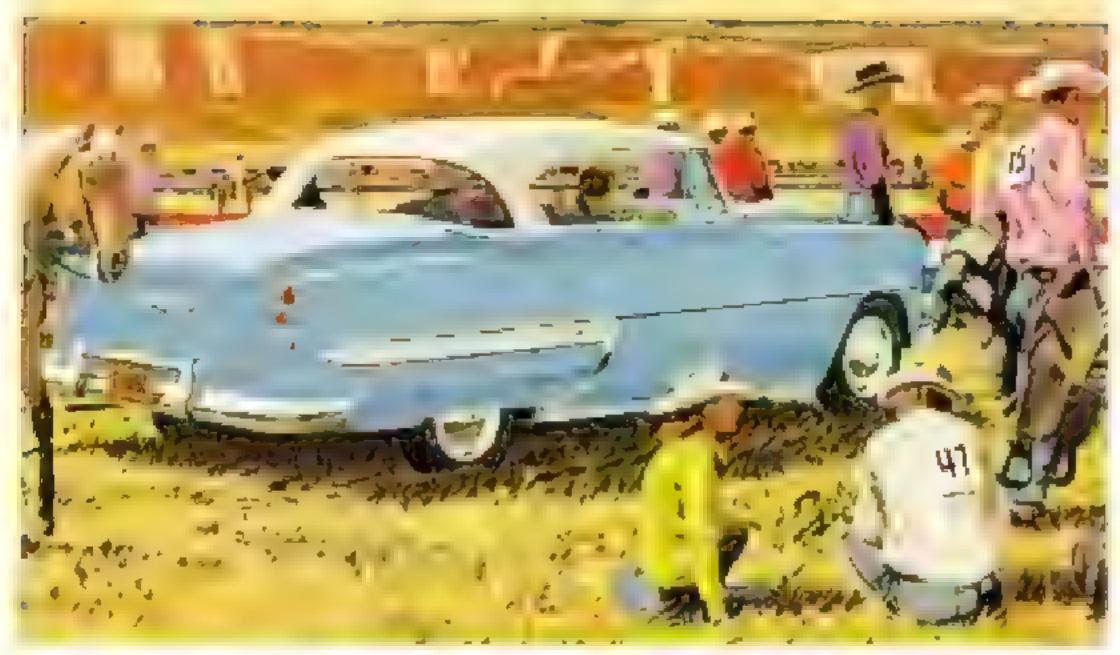
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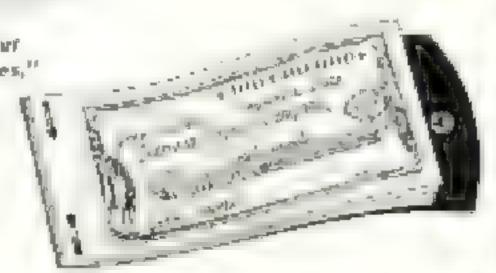
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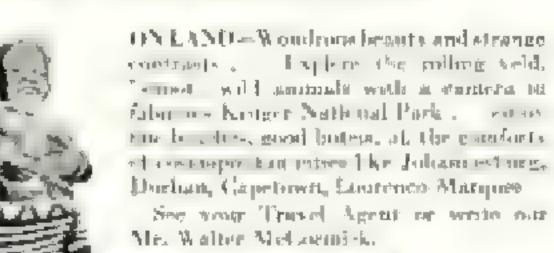
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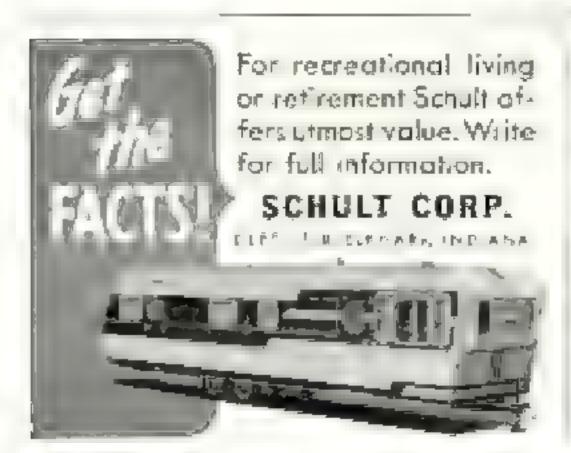
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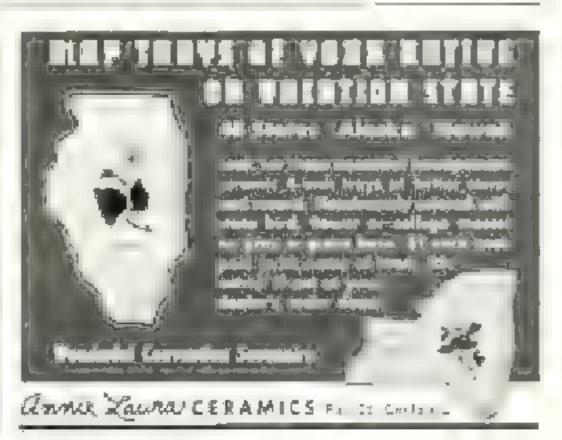
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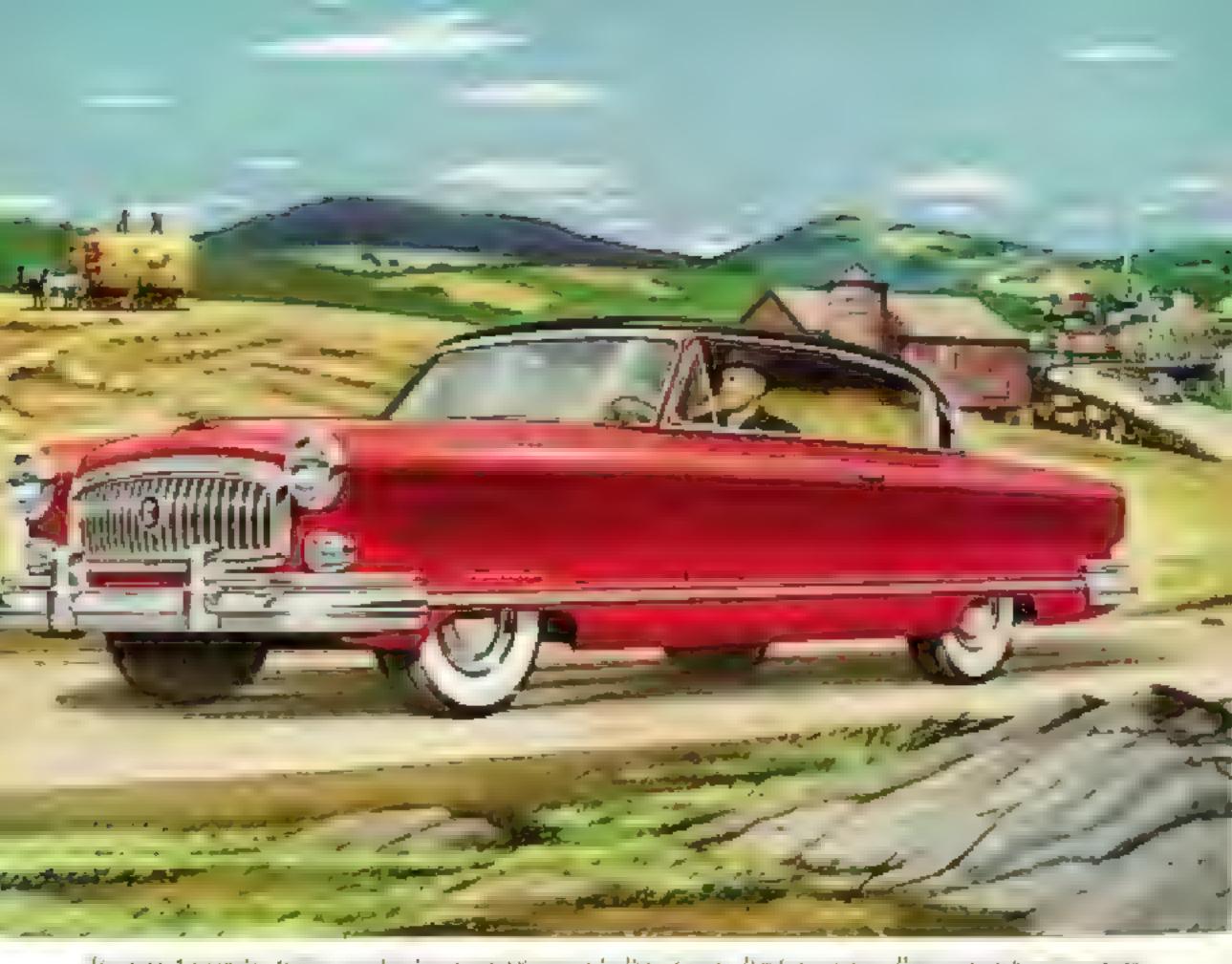
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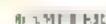
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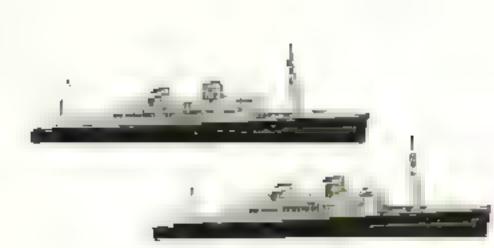












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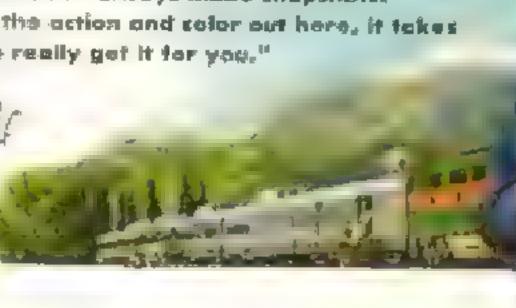
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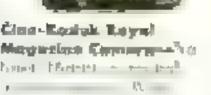
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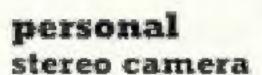
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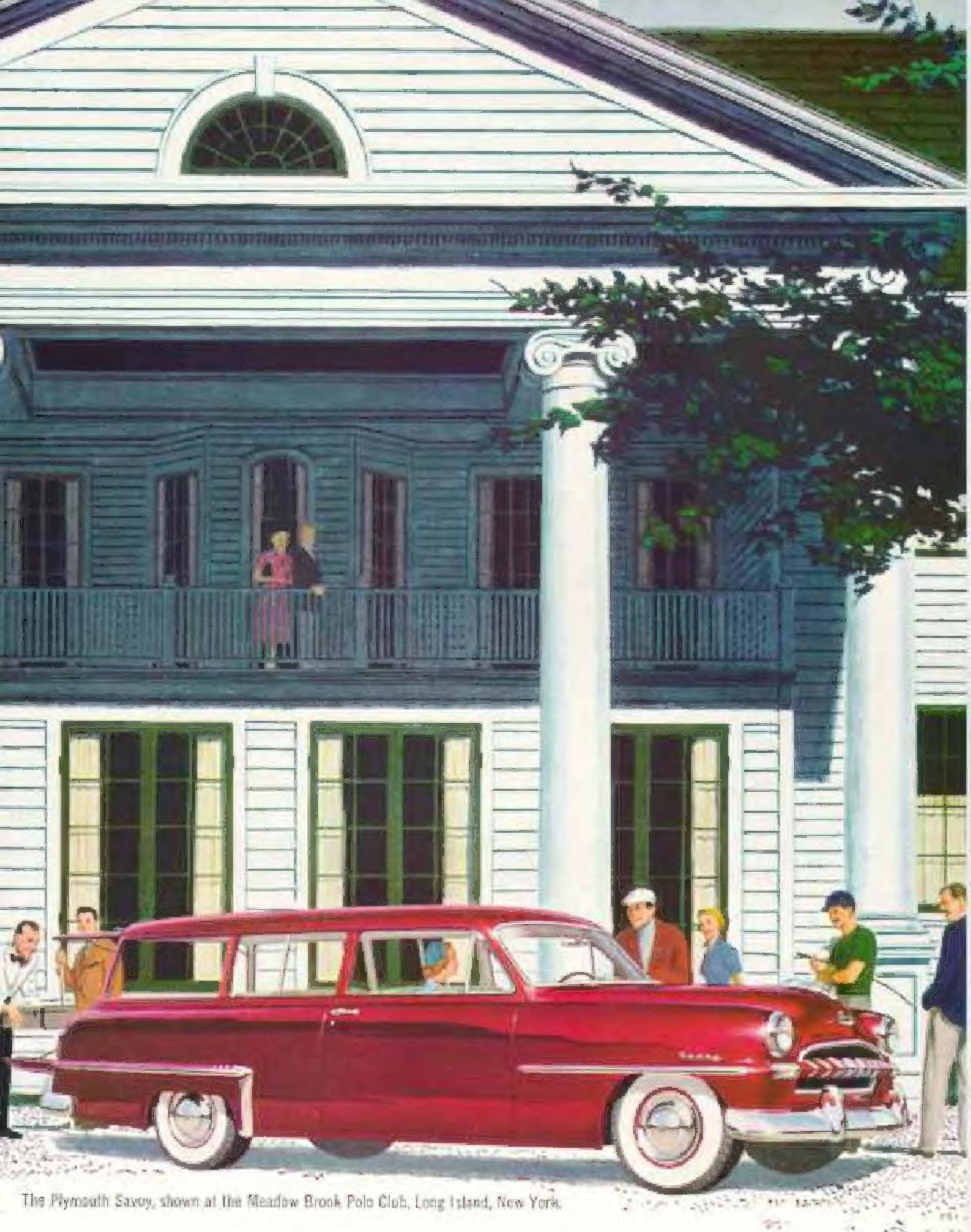
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